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Web 2.0 support – JSON-RPC



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This presentation will cover SCA feature pack Web 2.0 support with JSON-RPC

HTTP protocol with JSON-RPC style access in Java (binding.http wireFormat.jsonrpc)

- SCA assembler
 - ▶ enable an HTTP protocol with JSON-RPC style access to an SCA service
- SCA feature pack supports JSON-RPC for use with SCA services by using the <binding.http> with <wireFormat.jsonrpc>
 - ▶ enables remote Web browser clients to easily make RPC style calls to server-side SCA components
- You can use this binding without any configuration, or by providing a specific service URI:
 - ▶ <t:binding.http><wireFormat.jsonrpc/></t:binding.http>
 - ▶ <t:binding.http uri="http://localhost:9080/Catalog"><wireFormat.jsonrpc/></t:binding.http>

Now you will look closer at the HTTP protocol with JSON-RPC style access in Java™. As an SCA Assembler, you want to have the ability to enable an HTTP protocol with JSON-RPC style access to an SCA service. This will enable a consumer to use the JSON-RPC style protocol to access your service without rewriting your service side implementations. The Feature Pack for SCA supports JSON-RPC as a protocol for use with SCA services by using the <binding.http> with <wireFormat.jsonrpc>. This enables remote Web browser clients to easily make RPC style calls to server-side SCA components.

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```
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```

```
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<wireFormat.jsonrpc/></t:binding.http>
```

The **t:** above represents the Tuscany namespace.

Consuming JSON-RPC services on the client application

- Any JSON-RPC client can be used to access the SCA services which use the `<binding.http>` with `<wireFormat.jsonrpc>`
- Ways to consume JSON-RPC services on the client application
 - ▶ Utilizing `implementation.widget`
 - ▶ Using SCA JSON-RPC services with Dojo



Any JSON-RPC client can be used to access the SCA services which use the `<binding.http>` with `<wireFormat.jsonrpc>`. There are two ways to consume JSON-RPC services on the client application. One way is to use the `implementation.widget` which was described already. The other way is to use SCA JSON-RPC services with Dojo. The next few slides will show you in more detail the two ways to consume JSON-RPC services.

Utilizing `implementation.widget` for JSON-RPC

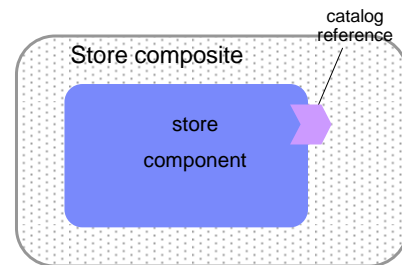
- Widget Implementation (`implementation.widget`), extends the SCA programming model to HTML or Web 2.0 client applications
 - ▶ For JSON-RPC allows you to model your HTML or Web 2.0 as an SCA component
 - ▶ Implementation artifact is an HTML resource where you can define a JSON-RPC reference, that can be wired to server side services



As mentioned earlier the Widget Implementation, `implementation.widget`, extends the SCA programming model to HTML or Web 2.0 client applications. Using this for JSON-RPC allows you to model your HTML or Web 2.0 as an SCA component. The implementation artifact is an HTML resource where you can define a JSON-RPC reference, that can be wired to server side services.

JSON-RPC style access in widget

```
<composite xmlns="http://www.osoa.org/xmlns/sca/1.0"
  xmlns:t="http://tuscany.apache.org/xmlns/sca/1.0"
  targetNamespace="http://store" name="store">
  <component name="store">
    <t:implementation.widget location="contents/store.html"/>
    <reference name="catalog" target="MyCatalog/Catalog">
      <t.binding.http><wireFormat.jsonrpc/></t.binding.http>
    </reference>
  </component> .....
</composite>
```



The code above shows a sample composite file. The component store contains the `implementation.widget`. The `implementation.widget` component type allows you to model your HTML as an SCA component. The implementation artifact is an HTML resource, and above you can see how you can then define SCA References that can be wired to server side services. A catalog reference is defined for the store component which contains an HTTP binding with a wire format of JSON RPC. This catalog reference can be wired through HTTP binding with wire format JSON-RPC to server side services.

Programming model – JSON-RPC, using SCA enhanced JavaScript

Reference definition in composite:

```
<:implementation.widget location="contents/store.html"/>
<reference name="catalog" target="MyCatalog/Catalog">
  <t:binding.http><wireFormat.jsonrpc/></t:binding.http>
</reference>
```

Transformed into Dojo
JSON_RPC

Using SCA enhanced JavaScript:

```
<script language="JavaScript">
  // @Reference
  var catalog = new
    Reference("catalog");
  catalog.get();
</script>
```

Service definition in composite:

```
<component name="MyCatalog">
  <implementation.java
    class="services.FruitsCatalogImpl"/>
  <service name="Catalog">
    <t:binding.http uri="http://localhost:9080/Catalog"/>
    <wireFormat.jsonrpc/></t:binding.http>
  </service>
</component>
```

FruitsCatalogImpl.java:

```
package services;

@Remotable
public interface Catalog {
  Item[] get();
}
```



The code above depicts a more complete picture of how the catalog reference can be wired through an HTTP binding with wire format JSON-RPC to server side services using `implementation.widget`. You have starting in the left corner, a composite file that has a component that uses the implementation widget. A reference named `catalog` is then defined using an HTTP binding with wire format JSON-RPC. This reference targets an existing service called `Catalog`. That service is defined to the top right in a composite file with a component name of `MyCatalog`. This component contains the service named `Catalog` that is defined with an HTTP binding with wire format JSON-RPC. This component defines its Java implementation to be `FruitsCatalogImpl.java`. Notice on the bottom right the `FruitsCatalogImpl.java` file contains a `get()` method. Now lastly, you will notice the SCA enhanced JavaScript code. Since widget implementation was used, you can now introduce SCA annotations to the JavaScript code. You can introduce the `catalog` reference and easily now call the `get()` method that was defined in `FruitsCatalogImpl.java`.

Using SCA JSON-RPC services with Dojo

- JSON-RPC services provide built-in support for Dojo's Remote Procedure Calls (RPC).
- The SCA services which use `<binding.http>` with `<wireFormat.jsonrpc>` will by default support the SMD protocol
- Using SCA services with Dojo:
 - `var myService = new dojo.rpc.JsonService("myService?smd");`
 - ▶ Showing the available methods:
 - `{... "methods": [{"name": "get", "parameters": [{"name": "param0", "type": "STRING"}]}`
 - ▶ Services can then be invoked using the Dojo client library
 - `myService.get(args);`

Dojo provides a basic RPC client class that has been extended to provide access to JSON-RPC services. It was designed so that it is easy to implement custom RPC services. Dojo's RPC clients simplify this process by taking a simple definition of the remote methods and application needs and generating client side functions to call these methods. The definition file, called a Simple Method Description (SMD) file, is a simple JSON string that defines a URL to process the RPC requests. It also processes any methods available at that URL, and the parameters those methods take. The Feature Pack for SCA provides built-in support for Dojo's RPC. It generates the SMD file. You then just have to initialize an RPC client object and then all of these remote methods are available for you to use as normal.

The SCA services which use `<binding.http>` with `<wireFormat.jsonrpc>` will by default support the SMD protocol. SMD is similar to `?wsdl` for Web services, entering a service endpoint appended with `?smd` will return a SMD descriptor for the service.

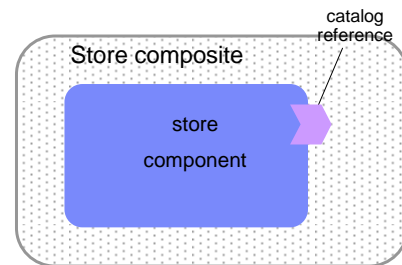
Using SCA services with Dojo can therefore be as simple as:

```
var myService = new dojo.rpc.JsonService("myService?smd");
```

The methods available can then be easily shown (for instance the `get()` method) and then the services can then be invoked using the Dojo client library: `myService.get(args);`

JSON-RPC style access

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</composite>
```



The above sample composite shows a component named store that has a reference named catalog. This reference has an HTTP binding with wire format JSON-RPC defined.

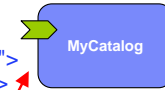
Programming model – JSON RPC, using Dojo JSON-RPC directly

Reference definition in Composite:

```
<reference name="catalog" target="MyCatalog/Catalog">
  <t:binding.http><wireFormat.jsonrpc/></t:binding.http>
</reference>
```

Using Dojo JSON-RPC directly:

```
<script type="text/javascript">
  dojo.require("dojo.parser");
  dojo.require("dojo.rpc.JsonService");
</script>
<script type="text/javascript">
  var catalogService = new
    dojo.rpc.JsonService("/Catalog?smd");
  catalogService.get();
</script>
```



Service definition in Composite:

```
<component name="MyCatalog">
  <implementation.java
    class="services.FruitsCatalogImpl"/>
  <service name="Catalog">
    <t:binding.http
      uri="http://localhost:9080/Catalog"/>
    <wireFormat.jsonrpc/></t:binding.http>
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JSON-RPC services – JSON data binding

- In/Out parameters are passed in JSON format
 - { string : value }
 - { "method" : "get" }
 - { "result" : "12345" }
- JSON data binding is used to transform JSON input arguments into Java types, and to transform Java results into JSON



Now that you did the HTTP binding with wire format JSON-RPC you can use JSON formats. The parameters are passed in JSON format name/value pairs. JSON data binding is used to transform JSON input arguments into Java types, and to transform Java results into JSON.

Section

Summary and references

Next is summary of what you have learned and some references.

Summary

- SCA feature pack supports JSON-RPC as a protocol for use with SCA services
 - ▶ using the `<binding.http>` with `<wireFormat.jsonrpc>`
 - ▶ enables remote Web browser clients to easily make RPC style calls to server-side SCA components



The Feature Pack for SCA supports JSON-RPC as a protocol for use with SCA services by using the `<binding.http>` with `<wireFormat.jsonrpc>`. This enables remote Web browser clients to easily make RPC style calls to server-side SCA components.

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Above are some useful references.

Web 2.0 vulnerability testing



- Explicit Security vulnerability testing is critical when working with JavaScript/Web2.0
- Rational® AppScan® (www.watchfire.com) is the industry-leading security vulnerability scanning tool for Ajax

The screenshot displays the IBM Rational AppScan 7.7 interface. The main window shows a list of 63 security issues, with a bar chart indicating the total number of issues. The detailed view of issue ID 9056 shows a JavaScript error in the response, with a reasoning section explaining that the test successfully embedded a script in the response, which will be executed once the page is loaded in the user's browser, indicating a vulnerability to a Cross-Site Scripting attack.

Outside-in security testing should be part of your quality assurance plan, [watchfire.com](http://www.watchfire.com) is a security vulnerability testing tool.

Dojo Toolkit support

- For help with developing Ajax application look at the General Debugging Tools section
- The best information and help is on the www.dojotoolkit.org site especially the forums. Look through the forums for issues and post non-confidential issues on the forum.
- <http://www.dojotoolkit.org/support>
 - ▶ Frequently Asked Questions
 - ▶ Forums
- <http://www.dojotoolkit.org/docs>
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