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Description

This is used to call a SOAP method in a SOAP server, passing the relevant arguments from S and converting the response into an S object. The communication between S and the SOAP server is handled via connections.

Usage

```r
.SOAP(server, method, ..., .soapArgs = list(), action, nameSpaces = SOAPNameSpaces(), xmlns = NULL, handlers = SOAPHandlers(), .types = NULL, 
.convert = TRUE, .opts = list(), curlHandle = getCurlHandle(),
.header = getSOAPRequestHeader(action, .server = server),
.literal = FALSE, .soapHeader = NULL, .elementFormQualified = FALSE,
.returnNodeName = NA)
```

Arguments

- `server`: a SOAPServer object
- `method`: the name of the SOAP method to invoke
- `...`: name=value arguments to pass to the
- `.soapArgs`: an alternative mechanism for passing arguments to the .SOAP call. This is a list of named or unnamed values which is used as the arguments for the SOAP method invocation.
- `action`: the SOAPAction string to put in the HTTP header. This is required. If it is an object of class AsIs, it is left exactly as it is. This allows one to call this function as .SOAP(...., action = I("einfo")) without having to provide a handler to bypass the default action mechanism.
- `nameSpaces`: a named character vector giving the XML namespaces to add to the Body. These are given as a named character vector with the names giving the local namespace identifier and the value being the URI corresponding to that namespace identifier. For ease of use, one can identify the collections corresponding to the 1999 or 2001 schema using the simpler strings "1.1" and "1.2" respectively. If nameSpaces is a single string, we use it to index the element in the .SOAPDefaultNameSpaces list.
- `xmlns`: the name space to use for the XML nodes which specify the actual method call, i.e. within the BODY. This is either a single string, or a name-value pair given as a character vector. The name is the namespace identifier and the value is the URI.
- `handlers`: a collection of functions that, if present, are called at different points in the SOAP invocation to process the input and output. These can be thought of as event callbacks and include action for creating the final form of the SOAPAction string, converter for processing the XML returned by the SOAP server in the case of a successful invocation, and so on.
- `.types`: [not yet implemented] allows one to explicitly control the conversion of the arguments to the appropriate/desired SOAP type. This is useful when you know what the server is expecting.
a function, a logical value or a SOAPType. If this is a function, it should take two arguments: the content to be converted from SOAP format to R and the target type described as a SOAPType object. This should return an R object representing the SOAP content. If, alternatively, this is supplied as a logical value, this controls whether the default converters are used (TRUE) or not (FALSE). These converters are taken from the handlers argument. And finally, if `.convert` is a SOAPType object, we call convertFromSOAP with the

`.opts` a named list of elements that are passed to the `curlPerform` function which actually invokes the SOAP method. These options control aspects of the HTTP request, including debugging information that is displayed on the console, e.g. `.opts = list(verbosse = TRUE)`

`curlHandle` this is passed to `curlPerform` as the `curlHandle` argument. By providing this as a parameter here, the user can reuse an existing curl handle with options explicitly set just once. Additionally, one can control the connection to the Web server using keep-alive connections, etc. to improve performance.

`.header` a named character vector of elements which are used in the HTTP header for the SOAP request. These are calculated by default within the `.SOAP` call, but the parameter allows them to be pre-computed and supplied in the call.

`.literal` a logical value indicating whether to use the literal encoding for serializing the data being sent to and from the server.

`.soapHeader` this allows the caller to specify the SOAP content for the Header part of the SOAP request. This is sometimes used to supply information such as login and password or other forms of authentication and authorization. The value for this parameter can be the text of the XML header node, an XML node itself, or alternatively a function that returns such a node (or text with the XML content). The function is called with the SOAP document being created and the name of the SOAP method.

`.elementFormQualified` a logical value. If this is FALSE, only the XML element identifying the method call in the Body of the SOAP request uses the target namespace. The XML nodes representing the arguments in the method call do not use this namespace but are global. Alternatively, if this is TRUE, the target namespace of the schema is defined as the default name space on the XML element for the method call and so is inherited by the elements for the parameters.

`.returnNodeName` the name of the node in the SOAP response that is the container for the content of the response. This is often "return" but can be any legal XML node name and is often given to us in a WSDL.

Value

An S object representing the return value from the SOAP method invocation.

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References

See Also

writeSOAPMessage isHTTPError curlPerform postForm

Examples

## Not run:
```r
.SOAP(SOAPServer("services.xmethods.net", "soap"),
    "getRate", country1="England", country2 = "Japan",
    action="urn:xmethods-CurrencyExchange")

.SOAP(SOAPServer("services.xmethods.net", "soap/servlet/rpcrouter"),
    "getPrice", 0596000278,
    action="urn:xmethods-BNPriceCheck")

s <- SOAPServer("http://services.xmethods.net/soap")
.SOAP(s,
    "getQuote", "AMZN",
    action="urn:xmethods-delayed-quotes#getQuote")

.SOAP(SOAPServer("services.soaplite.com", "temper.cgi"),
    "c2f", 37.5,
    action="http://www.soaplite.com/Temperatures")

# Different action and namespace.
# Specify handlers=NULL to avoid the additional processing of the
# SOAPAction string, i.e. the appending of the method name.
# This kills off all the handlers. If we want to remove only the
# "action" element, we have to be more explicit.

s1 <- SOAPServer("services.soaplite.com", "interop.cgi")
.SOAP(s1,
    "echoString", "From R",
    action="urn:soapinterop",
    xmlns=c(namesp1="http://soapinterop.org/"),
    handlers =NULL)

## End(Not run)
```

convertFromSOAP

Convert SOAP result to S object

Description

This generic function and its methods provide facilities for converting data from a SOAP XML structure to a “value” object in R.

Usage

convertFromSOAP(val, type, nodeName = "return", ...)
Arguments

val  the XML object representing the data.
type the target “type” of object to which the XML should be converted.
nnodeName the name of the node in the SOAP response that is the container for the content of the response. This is often "return" but can be any legal XML node name and is often given to us in a WSDL.

... additional arguments for (future) methods

Value

An R object of the type identified by type.

References


See Also

.SOAP

Description

This function creates function definitions, etc. that provide access to the methods described in the SOAP server description details.

Usage

genSOAPClientInterface(operations = def@operations[[1]], def, name = def@name, 
  env = new.env(parent = globalenv()), where = globalenv(), 
  server = def@server, nameSpaces = def@nameSpaces, 
  addSoapHeader = FALSE, verbose = FALSE, force = FALSE)

Arguments

operations a list of the descriptions of the server’s methods. Each method description provides information about the parameters and the return value.
def the SOAPServerDescription-class object.
name currently unused
env an environment object. This is used ?
where the location (usually in the search path) where new S4 classes will be defined to represent the complex return types. This can be any value that is acceptable for the where argument of setClass, i.e. an integer, a package name ("package:name") or, explicitly, an environment.
server

an object which will be used as the server in the SOAP calls. This provides the user with a mechanism to provide an alternative server object such as one which contains a password or which already has a connection to the SOAP server, or controls the connection in different ways.

nameSpaces

a character vector that identifies the namespace-URI mappings used for calls to this server. This maps the namespace abbreviations to the actual URIs. This can be a named character vector of these mappings, or alternatively a simple character string that identifies the name of the element in the .SOAPDefaultNameSpaces list. And if we don’t know the collection of namespaces, we use NA to indicate that we shall determine this later.

addSoapHeader

controls whether a .soapHeader parameter is added to each function that is generated for the SOAP server. If this is a logical, TRUE indicates to add the .soapHeader parameter; FALSE indicates it is omitted. If this is not a logical value, it is taken as the value to be supplied as the default value for the .soapHeader parameter in each generated function.

verbose

a logical indicating whether information about the processing should be displayed on the console, as it occurs.

force

a logical value that controls how we handle the case where we would define an S4 class corresponding to a data type in the schema but for which there already exists a class of that name (within the environment in which we are defining the schema-related classes). TRUE means that we will overwrite the existing class definition; FALSE means to leave the existing class definition. This is useful when we run the interface generation code a second time and so have existing class definitions from the first run.

Value

An object of class SOAPClientInterface containing both functions and class definitions.

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References


See Also

processWSDL

Examples

kegg = processWSDL("http://soap.genome.jp/KEGG.wsdl")
# note that we force the use of the 1.1 name spaces to get arrays
# handled correctly on the server side.
iface = genSOAPClientInterface(def = kegg, nameSpaces = "1.1")

## Not run:
# This KEGG.wsdl is out of date
tmp = processWSDL(system.file("examples", "KEGG.wsdl", package = "SSOAP"))
iface = genSOAPClientInterface(tmp@operations[[1]], def = tmp, tmp@name, verbose=FALSE)
## End(Not run)

```r
setAs("Definition", "character",
       function(from)
         structure(from@entry_id, names = from@definition))

setAs("ArrayOfPathwayElement", "character",
       function(from) sapply(from, as, "character"))

o = iface@functions$list_organisms()

as(o, "character")

cat("See the file", system.file("examples", "KEGG.S", package = "SSOAP"), "for more examples\n")
```

# Returns National Weather Service digital weather forecast data.

```r
w = processWSDL("http://www.weather.gov/forecasts/xml/SOAP_server/ndfdXMLserver.php?wsdl")
f = genSOAPClientInterface(,w)
```

# For the next 5 days from now.

```r
str = f@functions$NDFDgenByDay(38.9936, -77.0224, Sys.time() + 60*24*60, 5, "12 hourly")
```

```r
library(XML)
xmlToList(xmlParse(str, asText = TRUE))
```

# Note that the result is a string containing XML. The WSDL identifies the result
# as an xsd:string and does not tell us about the structure of the contents.

```r
## WABI
```

if(FALSE) {

# This site was not available May 4th.

```r
w = processWSDL("http://xml.nig.ac.jp/wsdl/ARSA.wsdl")
f = genSOAPClientInterface(,w)
```

```r
f@functions$searchSimple("Homo sapiens", 1, 100)
```

```r
x = f@functions$getENTRYbySPECIMEN("ATCC 43049", 1, 100)
x = f@functions$getENTRYbyScientificName("Escherichia coli", 1, 400)
```

```r
els = readLines(textConnection(x))
```

# get how many results are available in the database.

```r
totalCount = as.integer(substring(els[1], nchar("hitscount = ") + 1))
hits = els[-1] # the 400 results in the answer
```

```r
x = f@functions$searchByXMLPath("/ENTRY/DBJ/accessions/accn='ab0001'",
          "/ENTRY/DBJ/primary-accession,/ENTRY/DBJ/definition",
          1, 100)
```

```r
els = unlist(strsplit(x, "\n"))
totalCount = as.integer(substring(els[1], nchar("hitscount = ") + 1))
```

```r
values = strsplit(els[-1], "\t")
ans = structure(sapply(values, '[', 2), names = sapply(values, '[', 1))
```
**getReturnNode**  
*Get XML node from SOAP response*

**Description**
Parse the XML content from the SOAP response and traverse the tree to find the node in the Body element associated with the result of the request. It looks for a node named This attempts to be helpful by taking input in various forms, i.e. text of the body of the HTTP response, header and body in a SOAPHTTPReply object returned form .SOAP, or the root node of a previously parsed XML tree.

**Usage**
```
getReturnNode(node, name = "return")
```

**Arguments**
- **node**: either an XML node that was obtained from parsing the text of the reply or the SOAPHTTPReply object returned from the .SOAP call which contains the header and body of the HTTP request, or alternatively this can be the text content from the body of the HTTP response.
- **name**: the name of the node in the SOAP response that is the container for the content of the response. This is often "return" but can be any legal XML node name and is often given to us in a WSDL.

**Value**
An XMLNode object.

**Author(s)**
Duncan Temple Lang

**See Also**
- .SOAP xmlTreeParse

**getSOAPType**  
*Compute the SOAP type identifier for an S object*

**Description**
This determines the SOAP type for the given S object so that it can be used in an XML element. It returns a collection of name-value pairs (as a named character vector) which can be used as XML attributes for the element defining the value.

**Usage**
```
getSOAPType(obj, value = NULL)
```
isHTTPError

Arguments

obj the S object whose SOAP type information is to be determined
value for arrays, this specifies the type of the elements of that array.

Details

This consults SOAPTypes to find the types.

Value

A named character vector giving the XML attribute name and value pairs.

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References


See Also

writeSOAPMessage

isHTTPError  Determines if an error occurred in an HTTP communication

Description

This examines the HTTP header information (computed via the curlPerform call that implements the HTTP communication with the SOAP server) and determines if there was an error reported from the server.

Usage

isHTTPError(response)

Arguments

response the header information computed by collecting the header lines from the SOAP server’s HTTP response. This is currently done via the call to curlPerform in the .SOAP function.

Details

This just looks at the status entry and compares it to the value 200.
The curlPerform is capable of performing redirections, etc. to handle manageable errors. See the options for that function.
Value
A logical value indicating whether there was an error (TRUE) or not (FALSE).

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References

See Also
.SOAP curlPerform

parseSOAP Parse XML message

Description
This is a convenience function to parse the SOAP message returned from a server and retrieve the payload of the message as an XML tree in S.

Usage
parseSOAP(xmlSource, header = FALSE, reduce = TRUE, ..., fullNamespaceInfo = TRUE)

Arguments
xmlSource an string giving the name of an file or URL containing the XML content, or a string containing the XML content itself.
header ignored
reduce a logical value indicating whether to return the top-most XML node of the Body or to return the entire XML tree read from xmlSource. If this is true, we find the Body node and return its first child.
... arguments that are passed directly to xmlTreeParse without being processed by this function.
fullNamespaceInfo a logical value that is passed on to xmlTreeParse when parsing the SOAP response This controls how the namespace information on each XML node is represented, with TRUE causing the prefix and URI to be included rather than just the prefix.

Value
An XMLNode object.
**processWSDL**

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**References**

**See Also**
fromXML

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**processWSDL**

*Read and process a Web Service Description Language file*

**Description**
This reads and converts a WSDL file for a server into a collection of functions and methods.

**Usage**

```r
processWSDL(fileName = "KEGG.wsdl", handlers =
    WSDLParseHandlers(fileName), nameSpaces = character(),
    useInternalNodes = TRUE, verbose = FALSE, port = 1L)
```

**Arguments**

- `fileName` the name of the WSDL file or URI.
- `handlers` a list of handler functions that are passed to `xmlTreeParse` to perform transformations on the XML nodes as they are parsed and converted to R objects. The default handlers drop comments and take care of importing files that are referenced via `<wsdl:import>` nodes.
- `nameSpaces` a character vector that identifies the namespace-URI mappings used for calls to this server. This maps the namespace abbreviations to the actual URIs. This can be a named character vector of these mappings, or alternatively a simple character string that identifies the name of the element in the `.SOAPDefaultNameSpaces` list. And if we don’t know the collection of namespaces, we use `NA` to indicate that we shall determine this later.
- `useInternalNodes` a logical value indicating whether to use internal/C-level nodes for the XML tree or to use R objects representing the nodes.
- `verbose` a logical value indicating whether to emit messages to the console signalling progress being made and what elements are being processed. This is passed to `processSchemaTypes`.
- `port` a number or string that is used to identify which of the `port` elements to use in the WSDL. This allows the caller to specify whether they want to use, e.g., SOAP 1.1 or SOAP 1.2 or SOAP PUT if the WSDL provides more than one of these.
Value

An object of class `SOAPServerDescription`.

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See Also

UseDashInSOAPNames is an R option that can be set by the user that is understood by this package to control whether to either leave SOAP method names as-is, or if FALSE, to remove _ in the names and capitalize the first character in all but the first word of the name. In other words, if UseDashInSOAPNames is set to FALSE, the name `abc_def_ghi` is mapped to `abcDefGhi`. By default, the value is unset and treated as TRUE, so dashes are preserved.

Examples

```r
tmp = processWSDL(system.file("examples", "KEGG.wsdl", package = "SSOAP"))

# The first set of operations, and the method "color_pathway_by_objects"
o = tmp@operations[[1]][["color_pathway_by_objects"]]
names(o@parameters)
o@parameters["fg_color_list"]
o@returnValue

ff = genSOAPClientInterface(tmp@operations[[1]], def = tmp, tmp$name, verbose=FALSE)

# ff$functions$get_all_neighbors_by_gene(kid="eco:b0002", threshold= as.integer(500), orgs = c("ecs","ypk")

## Not run:
x = ff$functions$get_paralogs_by_gene("eco:b0002", 1, 10)

## End(Not run)

tp = get(".operation", environment(ff$functions$get_paralogs_by_gene))@returnValue

# A different WSDL file.
tmp = processWSDL(system.file("examples", "XMethodsFilesystemService.wsdl.xml", package = "SSOAP"))

## Not run:

## End(Not run)
```
Description

These functions provide information about a function that was programmatically created by processing a WSDL file. It allows the R user to find out characteristics of these functions without having to understand the particular structure of the functions, i.e. the environments and the metadata being stored in that environment and the default server object in a parent environment shared by all the generated functions.

The help function merely makes the regular help function in base generic.

When these functions are serialized and written to a file, these methods no longer work at present. This can be remedied.

Usage

server(fun, ...)
returnType(fun, ...)
returnConverter(fun, ...)

Arguments

fun the function object whose characteristics are being queried. This is a programmatically generated function as part of the WSDL processing. This should be of class WSDLGeneratedSOAPFunction.

... additional arguments so that these generic functions can be useful to other packages.

Value

These merely provide information about the contents of the environment of the generated function.

Note

When they are serialized to a file, this information is no longer available at present.

Author(s)

Duncan Temple Lang

See Also

processWSDL

SOAPClientInterface-class

Representation of machine-generated interface to SOAP methods and classes

Description

This is a simple class that combines a list of functions and a list of classes that are machine-generated to provide an R interface to a SOAP server. It is just a mechanism for combining the code.
Objects from the Class

We use the function `genSOAPClientInterface` to create instances of this class. Objects can be created by calls of the form `new("SOAPClientInterface", ...)`.

Slots

- **functions**: Object of class "list". A list of the functions that are proxies to the SOAP methods.
- **classes**: Object of class "list". A list of classes defined in support of the functions. These correspond to the new data types defined by the SOAP server.

Methods

No methods defined with class "SOAPClientInterface" in the signature.

Author(s)

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References


See Also

`genSOAPClientInterface`

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### SOAPFault

Create a SOAP Fault object

Description

This creates an object representing a SOAP fault object returned from a SOAP server. It creates an S4 object of the appropriate class, either one of the built-in SOAP fault classes or a general SOAP fault object.

Usage

`SOAPFault(node)`

Arguments

- **node**: the top-level XML node from the SOAP response giving the fault information

Value

An object derived from `SOAPFault`. Can be one of `SOAPVersionMismatchFault`, `SOAPMustUnderstandFault`, `SOAPClientFault` or `SOAPGeneralFault`.

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SOAPHandlers

References

See Also
.SOAP

SOAPHandlers

Get SOAP function handlers

Description
This returns a collection of functions that are used by the .SOAP function to control exactly how the HTTP request and SOAP message is created and how the result is processed. Values are merged with the values from .SOAPDefaultNameSpaces.

This is a convenient mechanism for specifying the collection of functions to use to parameterize the different aspects of the SOAP mechanism in S.

Usage
SOAPHandlers(..., include = character(0), exclude = character(0))

Arguments
...

name=function pairs giving values to be returned in the list of functions. These override corresponding elements in .SOAPDefaultNameSpaces.

include a character vector giving the names of the elements to include. This is used to identify (a few) elements that are to be kept from the defaults identified by version.

exclude a character vector giving the names of the elements to discard. This is usually deployed when we want to keep a large number of elements and it is more convenient to explicitly exclude some.

Value
A named list of functions. The names correspond to the different elements that are accessed by the .SOAP function. Currently, these are

action convert the user-specified SOAPAction to the target one. By default, this appends #methodName to the user’s value. This takes four arguments: the user's action, the name of the method, the SOAP server object and the vector of request-specific namespaces (i.e. the xmlns argument for .SOAP).

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References
http://www.w3.org/TR/SOAP/ http://www.omegahat.org/SSOAP,
See Also

SOAPNameSpaces .merge

Examples

SOAPHandlers()
SOAPHandlers(action = function(action, method, server, xmlns) action)
SOAPHandlers(exclude="action")

SOAPNameSpaces Get SOAP namespace definitions

Description

This is a convenience function that makes it easy to in-line the specification of the top-level or
global SOAP namespaces within a .SOAP call. It provides a way to cumulate namespace identifiers
and URLs into a named vector by specifying the relevant collection within the “catalog” of SOAP-
namespace collections and to augment that collection, override elements and/or include and exclude
certain elements by name.

Usage

SOAPNameSpaces(..., include = character(0), exclude = character(0),
version =getOption("SSOAP:DefaultNamespace"))

Arguments

... an arbitrary number of id-URI pairs that define a namespace. These are included
in the collection returned from this function along with any values identified via
the version argument in the .SOAPDefaultNameSpaces list.

include a character vector giving the names of the elements to include. This is used
to identify (a few) elements that are to be kept from the defaults identified by
version.

exclude a character vector giving the names of the elements to discard. This is usu-
ally deployed when we want to keep a large number of elements and it is more
convenient to explicitly exclude some.

version a name that identifies an element in the .SOAPDefaultNameSpaces list that is
used to get the default values. If this does not match a name in that list, no
defaults are used and only the values in ... are used.

Value

A named vector giving the id-URI pairs of namespaces.

Author(s)

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**SOAPResult**

Create an object to represent the raw result of a SOAP invocation

**Description**

This function creates an object of class SOAPResult which is used to represent both the header and the body of the HTTP response from a SOAP invocation. Such an object is created in the .SOAP function and used to convert the body into an S value.

**Usage**

```r
SOAPResult(content, header, obj = new("SOAPResult"))
```

**Arguments**

- content: a character vector representing the body of the HTTP response.
- header: a named list of name-value pairs giving the details of the header of the HTTP response.
- obj: an instance of the class that we are creating, derived from SOAPResult.

**Value**

An object of class SOAPResult.

- content: Description of 'comp1'
- header: Description of 'comp2'
- ...

**References**


**See Also**

.merge

**Examples**

```r
SOAPNameSpaces()
SOAPNameSpaces(omegahat="http://www.omegahat.org",
r = "http://www.r-project.org")
SOAPNameSpaces(omegahat="http://www.omegahat.org",
r = "http://www.r-project.org", include="SOAP-ENV")
SOAPNameSpaces(omegahat="http://www.omegahat.org",
r = "http://www.r-project.org", exclude="xsd")
SOAPNameSpaces(omegahat="http://www.omegahat.org",
r = "http://www.r-project.org", xsd = "my own XSD URI")
```
SSOPResult-class

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References

http://www.w3.org/TR/SOAP/ http://www.omegahat.org/SSOP

See Also

.SAOP fromXML isHTTPError

SOAPResult-class

Description of a the result of a SOAP request

Description

This class is used to provide access to the result of the SOAP request over HTTP. It separates the result into the header and body/content returned by the HTTP server.

Objects from the Class

This is not typically used except within code in the SSOAP package when it is returned from a call to .SOAP. Objects can be created by calls of the form new("SOAPResult", ...).

Slots

header: Object of class "list". A named list of values from the header of the HTTP communication returned by the SOAP server in response to a SOAP request.

collection: Object of class "character". The body or content of the HTTP request. The header field provides information about how to interpret the content in this field, e.g. the style of encoding.

Methods

convertFromSOAP signature(val = "SOAPResult"): converts the value in the content slot to an R object, using the fields in the header slot to interpret the content appropriately.

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References


See Also

.SAOP
SOAPServer

Create a SOAP server object

Description

These are constructors for the basic SOAPServer class which represent the location of the web services and methods. The basic SOAPServer-class is used to identify the host, port and URL of a SOAP server. The dynamic SOAP server is represented by the class DynamicSOAPServer-class and that contains not only the location of the SOAP server, but also information about its methods and data types. This information is typically read from a Web Services Description Language (WSDL) file.

We can use the form server$method(arg1, arg2, ...) to invoke a method in both types of server.

Usage

SOAPServer(host, url, port = NA, s = new(className))
dynamicSOAPServer(iface, obj = new("DynamicSOAPServer"))

Arguments

- host: typically, the name of the host machine, e.g. "www.omegahat.org". Alternatively, a complete URL (e.g. http://www.omegahat.org/SOAP) may be given as the value for host and the individual parts are extracted from this.

- url: the file/URL within the server that contains the SOAP server. If this is omitted, we attempt to find the value from the value of host.

- port: the port number on which the server is listening. This is typically 80, the standard HTTP port. However, one can specify this when creating the S server object to identify a different port. This is useful when testing a server since one can use a user-level port. It is left as NA if not specified to indicate that it was not explicitly set to 80.

- s: the object being created and initialized. Having this as an argument allows the caller to specify the class of the desired object and supply a partially initialized value and still get the “standard” initialization for the server object. className is computed in the body of the function and this mechanism works via lazy evaluation.

- iface: this is an object of class SOAPClientInterface-class typically returned from a call to genSOAPClientInterface. This represents the collection of methods that the SOAP server provides.

- obj: the object that will be returned from the dynamicSOAPServer function. This is specified with a default value so that this constructor can be easily reused for derived classes. Typically, a user-level call to this function will not need to specify this.

Value

An object of class HTTPSAPServer, FTPSOAPServer or SOAPServer. If the host is specified with an ftp: or http: prefix, an object of class FTPSOAPServer or HTTPSAPServer respectively is returned. Otherwise, a generic SOAPServer is created.
Note

In the future, we will use a SOAPConnection class that builds on the server and maintains a connection to the server. The URL may get dropped from the server as we can use the same basic host and port combination with different URLs for different requests. Experience will give us a better handle on an appropriate interface.
Also, we may store a server-specific, default SOAPAction value in the server.

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References


See Also

.SOAP $

Examples

server = SOAPServer("www.nanonull.com", "TimeService/TimeService.asmx")

SOAPServer-class  Classes for SOAP Server object

Description

These classes provide a way to describe the location of a SOAP server. This is separate from the servers actions. Rather, we use this to represent the identity of the server in terms of its Web address, i.e. the machine name or IP address, port number and URI or path within the server. The different classes represent the communication protocol, typically HTTP or HTTPS, i.e. HTTP over SSL, the secure communication protocol.
A DynamicSOAPServer might be better termed a "compiled" server. It contains information about the methods and data types accessible via the server. This information is converted into R classes and functions that can be used to invoke the server’s methods.
DynamicSOAPServer does not extend SOAPServer currently. Rather, it contains a SOAPServer. This is because we need to be able to determine the protocol and so have different types of SOAPServer objects associated with the interface methods. This class hierarchy may change in the future.

Objects from the Class

The function SOAPServer is used as the general constructor. Alternatively, one can use the new syntax, new("HTTPServer", host = "www.omegahat.org", url = "theServer")

Slots

host: Object of class "character". The machine name or IP address of the server.
port: Object of class "integer". The port number, if other than the default HTTP port 80.
url: Object of class "character". The document within the server that is the location of the server.
Methods

\$ signature(x = "SOAPServer", name = "character"): returns a function that will invoke the server's method whose name is given by name. This is merely syntactic sugar to allow the expression server$foo(1, 2, 3) to invoke the method foo in the remote server.

\$ signature(x = "DynamicSOAPServer", name = "character"): returns a function that will invoke the server's method whose name is given by name. This is merely syntactic sugar to allow the expression server$foo(1, 2, 3) to invoke the method foo in the remote server.

names signature(x = "DynamicSOAPServer") returns the names of the server's available methods.

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References


See Also

SOAPServer

Description

This function creates an instance of the class SOAPServerDescription (or the value of obj) and populates it with the specified collections of SOAP operations and data structure types, and information about the location of the SOAP server. This description can then be used to generate code to interface to the server's methods (see genSOAPClientInterface). The information is typically generated by reading the WSDL file, e.g. via processWSML.

Usage

SOAPServerDescription(name, server, operations, types, nameSpaces = NA, obj = new("SOAPServerDescription"))

Arguments

name a string (character vector) giving the name of the SOAP server. This typically comes from
server an object of class SOAPServer that describes the location of the Web service, giving the URL, port, path to the services
operations a list describing the operations or methods provided by the Web service
types a list describing the data types used by the Web service
obj an instance of the desired result whose slots are filled in during the call. This should be "compatible" with (i.e. extend) SOAPServerDescription.
nameSpaces a character vector that identifies the namespace-URI mappings used for calls to this server. This maps the namespace abbreviations to the actual URIs. This can be a named character vector of these mappings, or alternatively a simple character string that identifies the name of the element in the .SOAPDefaultNameSpaces list. And if we don’t know the collection of namespaces, we use NA to indicate that we shall determine this later.

Value

The object obj returned with the relevant fields filled in with values

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References

http://www.w3.org/TR/SOAP/ http://www.omegahat.org/SSOAP

See Also

processWSDL

SOAPServerDescription-class

Description of a SOAP Server’s methods and data types

Description

This represents a complete description of the methods and associated data types for inputs and outputs of a SOAP server.

Objects from the Class

Objects can be created by calls of the form new("SOAPServerDescription", ...). More typically, however, one will use processWSDL to create such an object.

Slots

- name: Object of class "character". The name of the server.
- server: Object of class "SOAPServer". The details of how to identify or connect to the server object.
- operations: Object of class "list". A list of the sets of operations/methods. A server may have more than one collection of methods. This list is the top-level container and each element is itself a list containing WSDLMethod objects.
- types: Object of class "list". The named collection of data types defined within the WSDL for the server.
- nameSpaces: a character vector that identifies the namespace-URI mappings used for calls to this server. This maps the namespace abbreviations to the actual URIs. This can be a named character vector of these mappings, or alternatively a simple character string that identifies the name of the element in the .SOAPDefaultNameSpaces list. And if we don’t know the collection of namespaces, we use NA to indicate that we shall determine this later.
SOAPType-class

Methods

No methods defined with class "SOAPServerDescription" in the signature.

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References


See Also

processWSDL

Examples

serverDesc = processWSDL(system.file("examples", "KEGG.wsdl", package = "SSOAP"))

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SOAPType-class

Classes for representing types for SOAP values

Description

These classes are for representing types from SOAP-related schema. They are used in describing SOAP methods read from a Web Service Description Language (WSDL) file.

Objects from the Class

Objects can be created by calls of the form new("SOAPType", ...). More typically, however, these are created by reading a WSDL file using processWSDL.

Slots

name: Object of class "character". The name for the type of value being described.

ns: Object of class "character". The shorthand for the XML namespace associated with this type.

nsuri: Object of class "character". The URI/identifier that identifies the XML namespace associated with this type.

Methods

toSOAP signature(obj = "vector", con = "ANY", type = "SOAPType"): convert an R object to its SOAP representation for the specified SOAP type.

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SOAPTypes

References


See Also

processWSDL

SOAPTypes

Data objects used in SSOAP

Description

These are S objects that store default data for the SOAP functions.

SOAPTypes is a list mapping the type of a primitive S object (typically computed via typeof) to a SOAP type, typically given as a named character vector. The name-value pair gives an XML attribute name and value which identifies the SOAP type (e.g. xsi:type = xsd:string).

SOAPPrimitiveConverters is a list of functions that handle mapping SOAP values to S primitive values. These are indexed by the different primitive SOAP type values, e.g. xsd:string, xsd:boolean, etc.

SOAPDefaultNameSpaces is a named list in which each element is a named-character vector giving the namespace identifier and URI (e.g. xsi="http://www.w3.org/2001/XMLSchema-instance") that are added to the top-most node of the XML message, i.e. in the Envelope node. The names of the list are used to index the different collections of namespaces, making SOAPDefaultNameSpaces act like a catalog of SOAP specifications.

SOAPDefaultHandlers is a collection of named functions that are used to parameterize the way the SOAP functions works. These functions are callbacks that can modify the way the HTTP request and SOAP message are constructed, and how the response is processed.

The idea is that one can change these globally to customize the SSOAP package to local needs.

Usage

SOAPTypes
SOAPPrimitiveConverters
SOAPNameSpaces

Source

SSSOAP package

References

**toSOAP**

*Convert S object to SOAP format*

**Description**

This converts an S object to its SOAP representation, writing it out to a connection.

**Usage**

```r
toSOAP(obj, con = xmlOutputBuffer(header = ""), type = NULL,
        literal = FALSE, elementFormQualified = FALSE, ...)
```

**Arguments**

- `obj`: the S object to be described in SOAP format
- `con`: the connection on which to write the SOAP representation, usually a connection to a SOAP server.
- `type`: an object that describes the target type, if available. This is typically an object which is derived from `SOAPType-class` that describes the details of the particular type.
- `literal`: a logical value indicating whether to use the literal format of the encoding for the serialization of objects.
- `elementFormQualified`: a logical value that indicates whether the nodes are to use no namespace or the target namespace of the schema in which they were defined.
- `...`: additional parameters for the methods of this generic

**Value**

The side-effect of writing the representation to the connection is the important aspect of this.

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**References**


**See Also**

.SOAPl
writeInterface

Serialize generated interface to a file

Description

This function allows the user to take a programmatically generated interface such as with `genSOAPClientInterface` and write the code to a file for inclusion in an R package or to be sourced into a different R session.

Note that this is not essential. One can `save` the interface generated by `genSOAPClientInterface` in RDA format and then use `load` that into a different R session, potentially on a different machine, and the interface will work as is.

Usage

```r
writeInterface(iface, file = stdout(), where = globalenv())
```

Arguments

- `iface`  the interface object created via a call to `genSOAPClientInterface`
- `file` the name of the file to which to write the code.
- `where` the position or package name used to find the class definitions associated with this interface. This is passed to `getClass`.

Details

Currently, this has to handle deparsing S4 objects directly. Also, it undoes the use of environments within the functions to store the “cached” information about the operation and the SOAP server location. Instead, it adds these as explicit parameters and to the body of the code.

Value

This function is used for its side effect of writing content in the specified file

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See Also

`genSOAPClientInterface` `processWSDL`
writeSOAPBody

Write SOAP message elements directly to connection

Description

These functions write the different parts of the SOAP request directly to an S connection. This means that they generate their content for the connection in order.

Usage

```r
writeSOAPBody(method, ..., xmlns = NULL, con, .types = NULL,
              .soapArgs = list(), .literal = FALSE,
              .header = NULL, .elementFormQualified = FALSE)
writeSOAPEnvelope(con, nameSpaces = SOAPNameSpaces())
writeSOAPMessage(con, nameSpaces, method, ..., .types = NULL,
                  xmlns = NULL, .soapArgs = list(), .literal = FALSE,
                  .soapHeader = NULL, .elementFormQualified = FALSE)
```

Arguments

- `method` the name of the SOAP method to be invoked
- `...` For `writeSOAPBody` and `writeSOAPMessage`, these are the name-value arguments for the SOAP method being called.
- `.soapArgs` an alternative mechanism for passing arguments to the .SOAP call. This is a list of named or unnamed values which is used as the arguments for the SOAP method invocation.
- `xmlns` the namespace given either as a simple string or as a named character vector of namespace URIs and local names. (Currently only one namespace is used). This is used for the top-level element of the node within the SOAP Body, corresponding to the actual request.
- `con` the connection object on which to write the HTTP and SOAP content
- `.types` a list parallelling the arguments to the SOAP method (i.e. `...` or `.soapArgs`) that specify the expected/required type of the individual arguments. This information is typically constructed from the WSDL (Web Services Description Language) if that is available. Otherwise, this can be an empty list in which case no constraints are placed on the arguments and the values are used as-is.
- `nameSpaces` a named character vector giving the namespace identifier and URI pairs. These are added as attributes in the SOAP Body element of the generated XML.
- `.literal` a logical value indicating whether to use the literal format of the encoding for the serialization of objects.
- `.header` a character string (or `NULL` that is written as part of the SOAP header (not the HTTP header), before any other output, i.e. before the `<SOAP-ENV:Body>` is emitted. This is passed as the first argument to `writeSOAPHeader`.
- `.soapHeader` a string, an XML node or a function that can be optionally specified to add content to the SOAP message as the header of the envelope. This is used in some Web services to provide transaction information such as authentication and security details. See the eBaySvc.wsdl for an example. If this is a function, it is called with the value of `con` as the only argument. One might use a closure to include the “private” and auxiliary information.
writeTypes

.elementFormQualified

a logical value. If this is FALSE, only the XML element identifying the method call in the Body of the SOAP request uses the target namespace. The XML nodes representing the arguments in the method call do not use this namespace but are global. Alternatively, if this is TRUE, the target namespace of the schema is defined as the default name space on the XML element for the method call and so is inherited by the elements for the parameters.

Value

For each function, the return value is irrelevant. It is the side-effect of writing to the connection that is used for.

Note

A different approach is to create the XML “payload” first as a string (by creating it as an XML tree and then serializing that to a buffer). This allows one to add the Content-Length to the HTTP header.

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References


See Also

.SOAP

writeTypes

Output SOAP type information for an S object.

Description

This is used in the toSOAP methods when writing an S object to a SOAP connection. It writes the SOAP attributes representing the SOAP type for the S object being serialized to the SOAP connection.

Usage

writeTypes(x, con, types = getSOAPType(x))

Arguments

x the S object being serialized to the SOAP connection
con the S connection object to which to write the type information attributes
types the type information attributes which are computed by calling getSOAPType by default.
WSDLMethod-class

Value

The string giving the SOAP type attributes that are written to the connection.

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References


See Also

toSOAP

WSDLMethod-class  Description of a SOAP method

Description

This class is used to describe the elements of a SOAP method as described in a Web Service Description Language (WSDL) file.

Objects from the Class

Objects can be created by calls of the form new("WSDLMethod", ...).

Slots

name: Object of class "character". The name of the method.
parameters: Object of class "list". An ordered list of the parameter types for this method.
returnValue: Object of class "SOAPType". The type of the return value.
action: Object of class "SOAPAction". The SOAP action value associated with this method.
namespace: Object of class "character". The namespace associated with this method.
use: a character vector with elements for input and output indicating whether the parts of the message are encoded using some encoding rules, or define the schema. Each value is either “literal” or “encoded”. See http://www.w3.org/TR/wsdl, section 3.5.
documentation: a string providing a human-readable (or more specifically arbitrary formed text) supposed to describe the method
bindingStyle: the format/protocol of the XML messages sent to invoke and reply to a method, e.g. document and RPC are the most common ones. But others are possible.
header: a list. This provides information about additional HTTP header information should be passed in the request for this operation. For example, this might be tickets/cookies that authorize the requestor to make the request.
returnNodeName the name of the node in the SOAP response that is the container for the content of the response. This is often "return" but can be any legal XML node name and is often given to us in a WSDL.
Methods

No methods defined with class "WSDLMethod" in the signature.

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References


See Also

processWSDL

**WSDLParseHandlers**

*Creates functions for XML parser for processing import/include XML nodes*

Description

This function is used, by default, when using regular R-level nodes (as opposed to internal/C-level nodes) when parsing an XML schema document. The function returns two functions which are used by the XML parser `xmlTreeParse` to convert import and include nodes within the XML schema by resolving the name of the referenced file and reading that document as another XML schema and inserting the results into the document.

It is often more convenient to use internal/C-level nodes and so use `xmlParse` rather than `xmlTreeParse`. The former does not use these handler functions.

Usage

```r
WSDLParseHandlers(baseURI, verbose = FALSE, keepSchema = FALSE)
```

Arguments

- **baseURI**
  the name of the parent/containing document being read, relative to which the `href` attribute of an import or include node will be resolved.
- **verbose**
  a logical indicating whether to emit messages to the console when processing an import or include node.
- **keepSchema**
  a logical value indicating whether to assign the resulting schema from processing an include or import node to the list of schema, indexed by the namespace prefix.

Value

A named list of functions.

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References


See Also

readSchema in the XMLSchema package and processWSDL.
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