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Preface

This documentation describes how to develop Jakarta Enterprise web services for Oracle WebLogic Server 14c.

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Audience

This documentation is written for software developers who want develop Jakarta Enterprise web services for Oracle WebLogic Server 14c that conform to the Representational State Transfer (REST) architectural style using Jakarta RESTful Web Services (JAX-RS).

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Related Documentation

New and Changed WebLogic Server Features

For a comprehensive listing of the new and changed WebLogic Server features introduced in this release, see *What's New in Oracle WebLogic Server*.

Conventions

The following text conventions are used in this document:

Convention	Meaning
boldface	Boldface type indicates graphical user interface elements associated with an action, or terms defined in text or the glossary.
italic	Italic type indicates book titles, emphasis, or placeholder variables for which you supply particular values.
monospace	Monospace type indicates commands within a paragraph, URLs, code in examples, text that appears on the screen, or text that you enter.



1 Introduction to RESTful Web Services

RESTful web services are Jakarta Enterprise web services that you develop to conform to the Representational State Transfer (REST) architectural style using Jakarta RESTful Web Services (JAX-RS).

Introduction to the REST Architectural Style

REST describes any simple interface that transmits data over a standardized interface (such as HTTP) without an additional messaging layer, such as Simple Object Access Protocol (SOAP). REST is an *architectural style*—not a toolkit—that provides a set of design rules for creating stateless services that are viewed as *resources*, or sources of specific information (data and functionality). Each resource can be identified by its unique Uniform Resource Identifiers (URIs).

- What are RESTful Web Services? RESTful web services are services that are built according to REST principles and, as such, are designed to work well on the Web.
- Standards Supported for RESTful Web Service Development on WebLogic Server
- Roadmap for Implementing RESTful Web Services
- Learn More About RESTful Web Services

Introduction to the REST Architectural Style

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A client accesses a resource using the URI and a standardized fixed set of methods, and a *representation* of the resource is returned. A representation of a resource is typically a document that captures the current or intended state of a resource. The client is said to *transfer* state with each new resource representation.

Table 1-1 defines a set of constraints defined by the REST architectural style that must be adhered to in order for an application to be considered "RESTful."

Constraint	Description
Addressability	Identifies all resources using a uniform resource identifier (URI). In the English language, URIs would be the equivalent of a <i>noun</i> .
Uniform interface	Enables the access of a resource using a uniform interface, such as HTTP methods (GET, POST, PUT, and DELETE). Applying the English language analogy, these methods would be considered <i>verbs</i> , describing the actions that are applicable to the named resource.

Table 1-1	Constraints of the REST Architectural Style



Constraint	Description	
Client-server architecture	Separates clients and servers into interface requirements and data storage requirements. This architecture improves portability of the user interface across multiple platforms and scalability by simplifying server components.	
Stateless interaction	Uses a stateless communication protocol, typically Hypertext Transport Protocol (HTTP). All requests must contain all of the information required for a particular request. Session state is stored on the client only.	
	This interactive style improves:	
	 Visibility—Single request provides the full details of the request. 	
	Reliability—Eases recovery from partial failures.	
	 Scalability—Not having to store state enables the server to free resources quickly. 	
Cacheable	Enables the caching of client responses. Responses must be identified as cacheable or non- cacheable. Caching eliminates some interactions, improving efficiency, scalability, and perceived performance.	
Layered system	Enables client to connect to an intermediary server rather than directly to the end server (without the client's knowledge). Use of intermediary servers improve system scalability by offering load balancing and shared caching.	

 Table 1-1
 (Cont.) Constraints of the REST Architectural Style

What are RESTful Web Services?

RESTful web services are services that are built according to REST principles and, as such, are designed to work well on the Web.

RESTful web services conform to the architectural style constraints defined in Table 1-1. Typically, RESTful web services are built on the HTTP protocol and implement operations that map to the common HTTP methods, such as GET, POST, PUT, and DELETE to retrieve, create, update, and delete resources, respectively.

Standards Supported for RESTful Web Service Development on WebLogic Server

The JAX-RS provides support for creating web services according to REST architectural style. JAX-RS uses annotations to simplify the development of RESTful web services. By simply adding annotations to your web service, you can define the resources and the actions that can be performed on those resources. JAX-RS is part of the Jakarta EE 8 full profile, and is integrated with Contexts and Dependency Injection (CDI) for the Jakarta EE Platform (CDI), Jakarta Enterprise Beans (EJB) technology, and Jakarta Servlet technology. WebLogic Server supports the following JAX-RS API and Reference Implementation (RI):

- JAX-RS 2.1
- Jersey 2.29

Note:

Jersey 2.x (JAX-RS 2.1 RI) support is provided by default in this release of WebLogic Server. Registration as a shared library is no longer required.



The Jersey 2.x (JAX-RS 2.1 RI) includes the following functionality:

- Jersey
- JAX-RS API
- JSON processing and streaming

Table 1-2 lists key features delivered with Jersey 2.x (JAX-RS 2.1 RI).

Table 1-2 Key Features in Jersey 2.x (JAX-RS 2.1 RI)

Key Feature	Description	
Client API	Communicate with RESTful web services in a standard way. The Client API facilitates the consumption of a web service exposed via HTTP protocol and enables developers to concisely and efficiently implement portable client-side solutions that leverage existing and well established client-side HTTP connector implementations.	
	For complete details, see:	
	Client API in Jersey 2.29 User Guide	
	Accessing REST Resources with the JAX-RS Client API in The Java EE 8 Tutorial	
Asynchronous	Invoke and process requests asynchronously.	
communication	For complete details, see:	
	Asynchronous Services and Clients in the Jersey 2.29 User Guide	
	Advanced Features of the Client API in The Java EE 8 Tutorial	
Filters and interceptors	Using filters, modify inbound and outbound requests and responses., such as header information. Using interceptors, modify entity input and output streams. Filters and interceptors can be used on both the client and server side.	
	For complete details, see Filters and Interceptors in the Jersey 2.29 User Guide.	

For more information about JAX-RS and samples, see Learn More About RESTful Web Services.

Roadmap for Implementing RESTful Web Services

Review a roadmap of common tasks for developing, packaging and deploying, securing, and monitoring RESTful web services and clients. These tasks are listed in Table 1-3.

Task	More Information	
Develop RESTful web services.	Developing RESTful Web Services	
Develop clients to invoke the RESTful web services.	web Summary of Tasks to Develop RESTful Web Service Clients	
Package and deploy RESTful web services.	 Packaging With an Application Subclass Packaging With a Servlet Packaging as a Default Resource 	
Secure RESTful web services.	 Securing RESTful Web Services Using web.xml Securing RESTful Web Services Using SecurityContext Securing RESTful Web Services Using Java Security Annotations 	
Test RESTful web services.	Testing RESTful Web Services	
Monitor RESTful web services.	Monitoring RESTful Web Services and Clients	

Table 1-3 (Cont.) Roadmap for Implementing RESTful Web Services and Clients

Task	More Information
(Optional) Migrate existing applications from Jersey 1.x to 2.x.	Migration Guide in Jersey 2.29 User Guide

Learn More About RESTful Web Services

Additional information about RESTful web services is available from resources such as the Community Wiki for Project Jersey, jcp.org, the JSR-370 JAX-RS 2.1 Specification, and more. These resources are listed in Table 1-4.

Table 1-4 Resources for More Information

Resource	Link	
Jersey User Guide	Jersey 2.29 User Guide	
Jersey API Javadoc	Jersey 2.29 API Documentation	
Community Wiki for Project Jersey	https://jersey.github.io/	
JSR-370 JAX-RS 2.1 Specification	https://jcp.org/en/jsr/detail?id=370	
JAX-RS API Javadoc	https://github.com/jax-rs	
JAX-RS Project	https://github.com/jax-rs	
RESTful Web Services (JAX- RS) sample	Sample Application and Code Examples in Understanding Oracle WebLogic Server.	
The Java EE 8 Tutorial— Building RESTful Web Services With JAX-RS	https://javaee.github.io/tutorial/jaxrs.html#GIEPU	
"Representational State Transfer (REST)" in Architectural Styles and the Design of Network-based Software Architectures (Dissertation by Roy Fielding)	http://www.ics.uci.edu/~fielding/pubs/dissertation/rest_arch_style.htm	

2 Developing RESTful Web Services

To develop Jakarta Enterprise web services that conform to the Representational State Transfer (REST) architectural style using Jakarta RESTful Web Services (JAX-RS), you perform tasks such as defining the root resource class, mapping incoming HTTP requests to Java methods, customizing media types for requests and responses, and more.

- About RESTful Web Service Development
- Defining the Root Resource Class
- Defining the Relative URI of the Root Resource and Subresources
- Mapping Incoming HTTP Requests to Java Methods
- Customizing Media Types for the Request and Response Messages
- Extracting Information From the Request Message
- Building Custom Response Messages Instead of the default response codes, you can customize the response codes returned or include additional metadata information in the response.
- Mapping HTTP Request and Response Entity Bodies Using Entity Providers
- Accessing the Application Context
- Building URIs
- Using Conditional GETs

A *conditional GET* enables you to evaluate one or more preconditions before processing a GET request. If the preconditions are met, a Not Modified (304) response can be returned rather than the normal response, potentially reducing bandwidth and improving server performance.

Accessing the WADL

The Web Application Description Language (WADL) is an XML-based file format that describes your RESTful web services application. By default, a basic WADL is generated at runtime and can be accessed from your RESTful web service by issuing a GET on the / application.wadl resource at the base URI of your RESTful application.

More Advanced RESTful Web Service Tasks

About RESTful Web Service Development

JAX-RS is a Java programming language API that uses annotations to simplify the development of RESTful web services. JAX-RS annotations are runtime annotations. When you deploy the Jakarta EE application archive containing JAX-RS resource classes to WebLogic Server, as described in Building, Packaging, and Deploying RESTful Web Service Applications , the runtime configures the resources, generates the helper classes and artifacts, and exposes the resource to clients.

For information about developing RESTful web services using Oracle JDeveloper, see Creating RESTful Web Services and Clients in *Developing Applications with Oracle JDeveloper*.

The following sections provide more information about RESTful web service development:



- Summary of Tasks to Develop RESTful Web Services
- Example of a RESTful Web Service

Summary of Tasks to Develop RESTful Web Services

Table 2-1 summarizes a subset of the tasks that are required to develop RESTful web service using JAX-RS annotations. For more information about advanced tasks, see More Advanced RESTful Web Service Tasks.

Note:

In addition to the development tasks described in Table 2-1, you may wish to take advantage of features available with Jersey 2.x (JAX-RS 2.0 RI) when developing your RESTful web services. For a list of key features, see Table 1-2.

Table 2-1 Summary of Tasks to Develop RESTful Web Services

Task	More Information
Define the root resource class.	Defining the Root Resource Class
Define the relative URI of the root resource class and its methods using the <code>@Path</code> annotation.	Defining the Relative URI of the Root Resource and Subresources
If you define the @Path annotation using a variable, you can assign a value to it using the @PathParam annotation.	
Map incoming HTTP requests to your Java methods using @GET, @POST, @PUT, or @DELETE, to get, create, update, or delete representations of the resource, respectively.	Mapping Incoming HTTP Requests to Java Methods
Customize the request and response messages, as required, to specify the MIME media types of representations a resource can produce and consume.	Customizing Media Types for the Request and Response Messages
Extract information from the request.	Extracting Information From the Request Message
Build custom response messages to customize response codes or include additional metadata.	Building Custom Response Messages
Access information about the application deployment context or the context of individual requests.	Accessing the Application Context
Build new or extend existing resource URIs.	Building URIs
Evaluate one or more preconditions before processing a GET request, potentially reducing bandwidth and improving server performance.	Using Conditional GETs
Access the WADL.	Accessing the WADL
Optionally, create a class that extends javax.ws.rs.core.Application to define the components of a RESTful web service application deployment and provides additional metadata.	Packaging With an Application Subclass
Secure your RESTful web services.	Securing RESTful Web Services and Clients

Example of a RESTful Web Service

Example 2-1 provides a simple example of a RESTful web service. In this example:

- The helloworld class is a resource with a relative URI path defined as /helloworld. At runtime, if the context root for the WAR file is defined as http://examples.com, the full URI to access the resource is http://examples.com/helloworld. See Defining the Relative URI of the Root Resource and Subresources.
- The sayHello method supports the HTTP GET method. See Mapping Incoming HTTP Requests to Java Methods.
- The sayHello method produces content of the MIME media type text/plain. See Customizing Media Types for the Request and Response Messages.

Additional examples are listed in Learn More About RESTful Web Services.

Example 2-1 Simple RESTful Web Service

```
package samples.helloworld;
```

```
import javax.ws.rs.GET;
import javax.ws.rs.Path;
import javax.ws.rs.Produces;
// Specifies the path to the RESTful service
@Path("/helloworld")
public class helloWorld {
    // Specifies that the method processes HTTP GET requests
    @GET
    @Produces("text/plain")
    public String sayHello() {
       return "Hello World!";
    }
}
```

Defining the Root Resource Class

A *root resource class* is a Plain Old Java Object (POJO) that meets specific annotation requirements. The root resource class must satisfy one or both of the following statements:

- Is annotated with @Path. See Defining the Relative URI of the Root Resource and Subresources.
- Has at least one method annotated with <code>@Path</code> or with a *request method designator*, such as <code>@GET</code>, <code>@POST</code>, <code>@PUT</code>, or <code>@DELETE</code>. A *resource method* is a method in the resource class that is annotated using a request method designator. See Mapping Incoming HTTP Requests to Java Methods.

Defining the Relative URI of the Root Resource and Subresources

Add the <code>javax.ws.rs.Path</code> annotation at the class level of the resource to define the relative URI of the RESTful web service. Such classes are referred to as root resource classes. You can add <code>@Path</code> on methods of the root resource class as well, to define subresources to group specific functionality.

The following sections describe how to define the relative URI of the root resource and subresources:

- How to Define the Relative URI of the Resource Class (@Path)
- How to Define the Relative URI of Subresources (@Path)



What Happens at Runtime: How the Base URI is Constructed

How to Define the Relative URI of the Resource Class (@Path)

The <code>@Path</code> annotation defines the relative URI path for the resource, and can be defined as a constant or variable value (referred to as "URI path template"). You can add the <code>@Path</code> annotation at the class or method level.

To define the URI as a constant value, pass a constant value to the <code>@Path</code> annotation. Preceding and ending slashes (/) are optional.

In Example 2-2, the relative URI for the resource class is defined as the constant value, / helloworld.

Example 2-2 Defining the Relative URI as a Constant Value

```
package samples.helloworld;
import javax.ws.rs.Path;
...
// Specifies the path to the RESTful service
@Path("/helloworld")
public class helloWorld {. . .}
```

To define the URI as a URI path template, pass one or more variable values enclosed in braces in the <code>@Path</code> annotation. Then, you can use the <code>javax.ws.rs.PathParam</code> annotation to extract variable information from the request URI, defined by the <code>@Path</code> annotation, and initialize the value of the method parameter, as described in How to Extract Variable Information from the Request URI (@PathParam).

In Example 2-3, the relative URI for the resource class is defined using a variable, enclosed in braces, for example, /users/{username}.

Example 2-3 Defining the Relative URI as a Variable Value

```
package samples.helloworld;
```

```
import javax.ws.rs.Path;
```

```
// Specifies the path to the RESTful service
@Path("/users/{username}")
public class helloWorld {. . .}
}
```

To further customize the variable, you can override the default regular expression of "[^/]+?" by specifying the expected regular expression as part of the variable definition. For example:

```
@Path("users/{username: [a-zA-Z][a-zA-Z_0-9]}")
```

In this example, the username variable will match only user names that begin with one uppercase or lowercase letter followed by zero or more alphanumeric characters or the underscore character. If the user name does not match the requirements, a 404 (Not Found) response will be sent to the client.

See the <code>@Path</code> annotation in the Jakarta EE 8 API Documentation.

How to Define the Relative URI of Subresources (@Path)

Add the javax.ws.rs.Path annotation to the method of a resource to define a subresource. Subresources enable users to group specific functionality for a resource.



In Example 2-4, if the request path of the URI is users/list, then the getUserList subresource method is matched and a list of users is returned.

Example 2-4 Defining a Subresource

```
package samples.helloworld;
```

```
import javax.ws.rs.GET;
import javax.ws.rs.Path;
// Specifies the path to the RESTful service
@Path("/users")
public class UserResource {
    . . .
    @GET
    @Path("/list")
    public String getUserList() {
    ...
```

}

What Happens at Runtime: How the Base URI is Constructed

The base URI is constructed as follows:

http://myHostName/contextPath/servletURI/resourceURI

- *myHostName*—DNS name mapped to the Web Server. You can replace this with *host:port* which specifies the name of the machine running WebLogic Server and the port used to listen for requests.
- contextPath—Name of the standalone Web application. The Web application name is specified in the META-INF/application.xml deployment descriptor in an EAR file or the weblogic.xml deployment descriptor in a WAR file. If not specified, it defaults to the name of the WAR file minus the .war extension. See context-root in *Developing Web* Applications, Servlets, and JSPs for Oracle WebLogic Server.
- servletURI—Base URI for the servlet context path. This path is configured as part of the packaging options defined in Table 4-1. Specifically, you can define the servlet context path by:
 - Updating the web.xml deployment descriptor to define the servlet mapping.
 - Adding a javax.ws.rs.ApplicationPath annotation to the class that extends javax.ws.rs.core.Application, if defined.

If the servlet context path is configured using both options above, then the servlet mapping takes precedence. If you do not configure the servlet context path in your configuration using either of the options specified above, the WebLogic Server provides a default RESTful web service application context path, resources. See Building, Packaging, and Deploying RESTful Web Service Applications .

• *resourceURI*—@Path value specified for the resource or subresource. This path may be constructed from multiple resources and subresources @Path values.

In Example 2-2, at runtime, if the context path for the WAR file is defined as rest and the default URI for the servlet (resources) is in effect, the base URI to access the resource is http://myServer:7001/rest/resources/helloworld.



In Example 2-3, at runtime, the base URI will be constructed based on the value specified for the variable. For example, if the user entered johnsmith as the username, the base URI to access the resource is http://myServer:7001/rest/resources/users/johnsmith.

Mapping Incoming HTTP Requests to Java Methods

JAX-RS uses Jakarta annotations to map an incoming HTTP request to a Java method. Table 2-2 lists the annotations available, which map to the similarly named HTTP methods.

Table 2-2	javax.ws.rs Annotations for Mapping HTTP Requests to Java Methods	

Annotation	Description	Idempotent
@GET	Transmits a representation of the resource identified by the URI to the client. The format might be HTML, plain text, JPEG, and so on. See How to Transmit a Representation of the Resource (@GET).	Yes
@PUT	Creates or updates the representation of the specified resource identified by the URI. See How to Create or Update the Representation of the Resource (@PUT).	Yes
@DELETE	Deletes the representation of the resource identified by the URI. See How to Delete a Representation of the Resource (@DELETE).	Yes
0POST	Creates, updates, or performs an action on the representation of the specified resource identified by the URI. See How to Create, Update, or Perform an Action on a Representation of the Resource (@POST).	No
@HEAD	Returns the response headers only, and not the actual resource (that is, no message body). This is useful to save bandwidth to check characteristics of a resource without actually downloading it. See the <code>@HEAD</code> annotation in the <i>Jakarta EE 8 API Documentation</i> .	Yes
	The HEAD method is implemented automatically if not implemented explicitly. In this case, the runtime invokes the implemented GET method, if present, and ignores the response entity, if set.	
@OPTIONS	Returns the communication options that are available on the request/response chain for the specified resource identified by the URI. The Allow response header will be set to the set of HTTP methods supported by the resource and the WADL file is returned. See the @OPTIONS annotation in the Jakarta EE 8 API Documentation.	Yes
	The OPTIONS method is implemented automatically if not implemented explicitly. In this case, the Allow response header is set to the set of HTTP methods supported by the resource and the WADL describing the resource is returned.	
@HttpMethod	Indicates that the annotated method should be used to handle HTTP requests. See the <code>@HttpMethod</code> annotation in the <i>Jakarta EE 8 API Documentation</i> .	N/A

The following sections provide more information about the JAX-RS annotations used for mapping HTTP requests to Java methods.

- About the Jersey Bookmark Sample
- How to Transmit a Representation of the Resource (@GET)
- How to Create or Update the Representation of the Resource (@PUT)
- How to Delete a Representation of the Resource (@DELETE)
- How to Create, Update, or Perform an Action on a Representation of the Resource (@POST)



About the Jersey Bookmark Sample

The examples referenced in the following sections are excerpted from the **bookmark sample** that is delivered with Jersey 2.x (JAX-RS 2.1 RI). The bookmark sample provides a Web application that maintains users and the browser bookmarks that they set.

The following table summarizes the resource classes in the sample, their associated URI path, and the HTTP methods demonstrated by each class.

Table 2-3	About the Jersey Bookmark Sample
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Resource Class	URI Path	HTTP Methods Demonstrated
UsersResource	/users	GET
UserResource	/users/{userid}	GET, PUT, DELETE
BookmarksResource	/users/{userid}/bookmarks	GET, POST
BookmarkResource	/users/{userid}/bookmarks/{bmid}	GET. PUT, DELETE

The bookmark sample, and other Jersey samples, can be accessed in one of the following ways:

- Accessing the bookmark sample at https://repol.maven.org/maven2/org/glassfish/ jersey/examples/bookmark/
- Browsing the Maven repositories for all Jersey examples, including a WebLogic Serverspecific example bundle for each version, at: https://repol.maven.org/maven2/org/ glassfish/jersey/bundles/jersey-examples/

How to Transmit a Representation of the Resource (@GET)

The javax.ws.rs.GET annotation transmits a representation of the resource identified by the URI to the client. The format or the representation returned in the response entity-body might be HTML, plain text, JPEG, and so on. See the @GET annotation in the Jakarta EE 8 Specification APIs.

In Example 2-5, the annotated Java method, getBookmarkAsJsonArray, from the BookmarksResource class in the Jersey bookmark sample, will process HTTP GET requests. See About the Jersey Bookmark Sample.

Example 2-5 Mapping the HTTP GET Request to a Java Method (BookmarksResource Class)

```
@Produces(MediaType.APPLICATION_JSON)
```



```
public JSONArray getBookmarksAsJsonArray() {
    JSONArray uriArray = new JSONArray();
    for (BookmarkEntity bookmarkEntity : getBookmarks()) {
        UriBuilder ub = uriInfo.getAbsolutePathBuilder();
        URI bookmarkUri = ub.
            path(bookmarkEntity.getBookmarkEntityPK().getBmid()).
                build();
            uriArray.put(bookmarkUri.toASCIIString());
        }
    return uriArray;
    }
....
}
```

In Example 2-6, the annotated Java method, getBookmark, from the BookmarkResource class in the Jersey bookmark sample, will process HTTP GET requests. This example shows how to process the JSON object that is returned. See About the Jersey Bookmark Sample.

Example 2-6 Mapping the HTTP GET Request to a Java Method (BookmarkResource Class)

```
import javax.ws.rs.GET;
import javax.ws.rs.Produces;
import javax.ws.rs.Path;
. . .
public class BookmarkResource {
. . .
    AGET
    @Produces (MediaType.APPLICATION JSON)
    public JSONObject getBookmark() {
        return asJson();
. . .
    public JSONObject asJson() {
        try {
            return new JSONObject()
                     .put("userid", bookmarkEntity.getBookmarkEntityPK().getUserid())
                     .put("sdesc", bookmarkEntity.getSdesc())
                     .put("ldesc", bookmarkEntity.getLdesc())
                     .put("uri", bookmarkEntity.getUri());
        } catch (JSONException je) {
            return null;
        }
    }
}
```

How to Create or Update the Representation of the Resource (@PUT)

The javax.ws.rs.PUT annotation creates or updates the representation of the specified resource identified by the URI. See the @PUT annotation in the *Jakarta EE 8 Specification APIs*.

In Example 2-7, the annotated Java method, putBookmark, from the BookmarkResource class in the Jersey bookmark sample, will process HTTP PUT requests and update the specified bookmark. See About the Jersey Bookmark Sample.

Example 2-7 Mapping the HTTP PUT Request to a Java Method

```
import javax.ws.rs.PUT;
import javax.ws.rs.Produces;
import javax.ws.rs.Path;
```

```
public class BookmarkResource {
....
@PUT
@Consumes(MediaType.APPLICATION_JSON)
public void putBookmark(JSONObject jsonEntity) throws JSONException {
    bookmarkEntity.setLdesc(jsonEntity.getString("ldesc"));
    bookmarkEntity.setSdesc(jsonEntity.getString("sdesc"));
    bookmarkEntity.setUpdated(new Date());
    TransactionManager.manage(new Transactional(em) {
        public void transact() {
            em.merge(bookmarkEntity);
        }));
    }
}
```

```
}
```

How to Delete a Representation of the Resource (@DELETE)

The javax.ws.rs.DELETE annotation deletes the representation of the specified resource identified by the URI. The response entity-body may return a status message or may be empty. See the @DELETE annotation in the *Jakarta EE 8 Specification APIs*.

In Example 2-8, the annotated Java method, deleteBookmark, from the BookmarkResource class in the Jersey bookmark sample, will process HTTP DELETE requests, and delete the specified bookmark. See About the Jersey Bookmark Sample.

Example 2-8 Mapping the HTTP DELETE Request to a Java Method

```
import javax.ws.rs.DELETE;
import javax.ws.rs.Produces;
import javax.ws.rs.Path;
public class BookmarkResource {
. . .
    @DELETE
    public void deleteBookmark() {
        TransactionManager.manage(new Transactional(em) {
          public void transact() {
            UserEntity userEntity = bookmarkEntity.getUserEntity();
            userEntity.getBookmarkEntityCollection().remove(bookmarkEntity);
            em.merge(userEntity);
            em.remove(bookmarkEntity);
        });
    }
}
```



How to Create, Update, or Perform an Action on a Representation of the Resource (@POST)

The javax.ws.rs.POST annotation creates, updates, or performs an action on the representation of the specified resource identified by the URI. See the @POST annotation in the Jakarta EE 8 Specification APIs.

In Example 2-9, the annotated Java method, postForm, from the BookmarksResource class in the Jersey bookmark sample, will process HTTP POST requests, and update the specified information. See About the Jersey Bookmark Sample.

Example 2-9 Mapping the HTTP POST Request to a Java Method

```
import javax.ws.rs.POST;
import javax.ws.rs.Produces;
```

```
...
public class BookmarksResource {
...
```

@POST

```
@Consumes(MediaType.APPLICATION JSON)
```

public Response postForm(JSONObject bookmark) throws JSONException {

```
final BookmarkEntity bookmarkEntity = new
BookmarkEntity(getBookmarkId(bookmark.getString("uri")),
```

```
userResource.getUserEntity().getUserid());
```

```
bookmarkEntity.setUri(bookmark.getString("uri"));
bookmarkEntity.setUpdated(new Date());
bookmarkEntity.setSdesc(bookmark.getString("sdesc"));
bookmarkEntity.setLdesc(bookmark.getString("ldesc"));
userResource.getUserEntity().getBookmarkEntityCollection().add(bookmarkEntity);
```

```
TransactionManager.manage(new Transactional(em) {
    public void transact() {
        em.merge(userResource.getUserEntity());
    }});

URI bookmarkUri = uriInfo.getAbsolutePathBuilder().
        path(bookmarkEntity.getBookmarkEntityPK().getBmid()).
        build();
return Response.created(bookmarkUri).build();
}
```

Customizing Media Types for the Request and Response Messages

To customize the media types for request and response messages, add the javax.ws.rs.Consumes or javax.ws.rs.Produces annotation at the class level of the resource. This task is described in the following sections:



}

- How To Customize Media Types for the Request Message (@Consumes)
- How To Customize Media Types for the Response Message (@Produces)
- What Happens At Runtime: How the Resource Method Is Selected for Response Messages

How To Customize Media Types for the Request Message (@Consumes)

The javax.ws.rs.Consumes annotation enables you to specify the MIME media types of representations a resource can consume that were sent from the client. The @Consumes annotation can be specified at both the class and method levels and more than one media type can be declared in the same @Consumes declaration.

If there are no methods in a resource that can consume the specified MIME media types, the runtime returns an HTTP 415 Unsupported Media Type error.

See the @Consumes annotation in the Jakarta EE 8 Specification APIs.

In Example 2-10, the @Consumes annotation defined for the Java class, helloWorld, specifies that the class produces messages using the text/plain MIME media type.

Example 2-10 Customizing the Media Types for the Request Message Using @Consumes

```
package samples.consumes;
```

```
import javax.ws.rs.Consumes;
import javax.ws.rs.POST;
import javax.ws.rs.Path;
....
@Path("/helloworld")
public class helloWorld {
....
@POST
@Consumes("text/plain")
public void postMessage(String message) {
    // Store the message
  }
}
```

How To Customize Media Types for the Response Message (@Produces)

The javax.ws.rs.Produces annotation enables you to specify the MIME media types of representations a resource can produce and send back to the client. The @Produces annotation can be specified at both the class and method levels and more than one media type can be declared in the same @Produces declaration.

If there are no methods in a resource that can produce the specified MIME media types, the runtime returns an HTTP 406 Not Acceptable error.

See the @Produces annotation in the Jakarta EE 8 Specification APIs.

In Example 2-11, the @Produces annotation specified for the Java class, SomeResource, specifies that the class produces messages using the text/plain MIME media type. The doGetAsPlainText method defaults to the MIME media type specified at the class level. The doGetAsHtml method overrides the class-level setting and specifies that the method produces HTML rather than plain text.



Example 2-11 Customizing the Media Types for the Response Using @Produces

```
package samples.produces;
import javax.ws.rs.Produces;
import javax.ws.rs.Path;
@Path("/myResource")
@Produces("text/plain")
public class SomeResource {
    @GET
    public String doGetAsPlainText() { ... }
    @GET
    @Produces("text/html")
    public String doGetAsHtml() { ... }
}
```

What Happens At Runtime: How the Resource Method Is Selected for Response Messages

If a resource class is capable of producing more that one MIME media type, then the resource method that is selected corresponds to the acceptable media type declared in the Accept header of the HTTP request. In Example 2-11, if the Accept header is Accept: text/html, then the doGetAsPlainText method is invoked.

If multiple MIME media types are included in the <code>@Produces</code> annotation and both are acceptable to the client, the first media type specified is used. In Example 2-11, if the <code>Accept</code> header is <code>Accept: application/html</code>, <code>application/text</code>, then the <code>doGetAsHtml</code> method is invoked and the <code>application/html</code> MIME media type is used as it is listed first in the list.

Extracting Information From the Request Message

The javax.ws.rs package defines a set of annotations that enable you extract information from the request message to inject into parameters of your Java method. These annotations are listed and described in Table 2-4.

Annotation	Description
@BeanParam	Inject aggregated request parameters into a single bean. See the @BeanParam annotation in the Jakarta EE 8 API Documentation.
	For additional usage information, see Parameter Annotations (@*Param) in the Jersey 2.29 User Guide.
@CookieParam	Extract information from the HTTP cookie-related headers to initialize the value of a method parameter. See the @CookieParam annotation in the Jakarta EE 8 API Documentation.
@DefaultValue	Define the default value of the request metadata that is bound using one of the following annotations: @CookieParam, @FormParam, @HeaderParam, @MatrixParam, @PathParam, or @QueryParam. See How to Define the DefaultValue (@DefaultValue).
@Encoded	Enable encoding of a parameter value that is bound using one of the following annotations: @FormParam, @MatrixParam, @PathParam, or @QueryParam. See Enabling the Encoding Parameter Values (@Encoded).
@FormParam	Extract information from an HTML form of the type application/x-www-form-urlencoded. See the @FormParam annotation in the Jakarta EE 8 API Documentation.

Table 2-4 javax.ws.rs Annotations for Extracting Information From the Request Message



Annotation	Description	
@HeaderParam	Extract information from the HTTP headers to initialize the value of a method parameter. See the @HeaderParam annotation in the Jakarta EE 8 API Documentation.	
@MatrixParam	Extract information from the URI path segments to initialize the value of a method parameter. See the @MatrixParam annotation in the Jakarta EE 8 API Documentation.	
@PathParam	Define the relative URI as a variable value (referred to as "URI path template"). See How to Extract Variable Information from the Request URI (@PathParam).	
@QueryParam	Extract information from the query portion of the request URI to initialize the value of a method parameter. See How to Extract Request Parameters (@QueryParam).	

Table 2-4 (Cont.) javax.ws.rs Annotations for Extracting Information From the Request Message

- How to Extract Variable Information from the Request URI (@PathParam)
- How to Extract Request Parameters (@QueryParam)
- How to Define the DefaultValue (@DefaultValue)
- Enabling the Encoding Parameter Values (@Encoded)

How to Extract Variable Information from the Request URI (@PathParam)

Add the javax.ws.rs.PathParam annotation to the method parameter of a resource to extract the variable information from the request URI and initialize the value of the method parameter. You can define a default value for the variable value using the <code>@DefaultValue</code> annotation, as described in How to Define the DefaultValue (@DefaultValue).

In Example 2-12, the <code>@PathParam</code> annotation assigns the value of the <code>username</code> variable that is defined as part of the URI path by the <code>@Path</code> annotation to the <code>userName</code> method parameter.

Example 2-12 Extracting Variable Information From the Request URI

```
package samples.helloworld;
```

```
import javax.ws.rs.GET;
import javax.ws.rs.Path;
import javax.ws.rs.Produces;
import javax.ws.rs.PathParam;
```

```
// Specifies the path to the RESTful service
@Path("/users")
public class helloWorld {
        . .
        @GET
        @Path("/{username}")
        @Produces("text/xml")
        public String getUser(@PathParam("username") String userName) {
        ...
        }
}
```

How to Extract Request Parameters (@QueryParam)

Add the javax.ws.rs.QueryParam annotation to the method parameter of a resource to extract information from the query portion of the request URI and initialize the value of the method parameter.



The type of the annotated method parameter can be any of the following:

- Primitive type (int, char, byte, and so on)
- User-defined type
- Constructor that accepts a single String argument
- Static method named valueOf or fromString that accepts a single String argument (for example, integer.valueOf(String))
- List<T>, Set<T>, Or SortedSet<T>

If the @QueryParam annotation is specified but the associated query parameter is not present in the request, then the parameter value will set as an empty collection for List, Set or SortedSet, the Java-defined default for primitive types, and NULL for all other object types. Alternatively, you can define a default value for the parameter using the <code>@DefaultValue</code> annotation, as described in How to Define the DefaultValue (@DefaultValue).

See the @QueryParam annotation in the Jakarta EE 8 Specification APIs.

In Example 2-13, if the step query parameter exists in the query component of the request URI, the value will be assigned to the step method parameter as an integer value. If the value cannot be parsed as an integer value, then a 400 (Client Error) response is returned. If the step query parameter does not exist in the query component of the request URI, then the value is set to NULL.

Example 2-13 Extracting Request Parameters (@QueryParam)

```
import javax.ws.rs.Path;
import javax.ws.rs.GET;
import javax.ws.rs.QueryParam;
...
@Path("smooth")
@GET
public Response smooth(@QueryParam("step") int step)
{ ... }
}
```

How to Define the DefaultValue (@DefaultValue)

Add the javax.ws.rs.DefaultValue annotation to define the default value of the request metadata that is bound using one of the following annotations: @CookieParam, @FormParam, @HeaderParam, @MatrixParam, @PathParam, or @QueryParam. See the @DefaultValue annotation in the Jakarta EE 8 Specification APIs.

In Example 2-14, if the step query parameter does not exist in the query component of the request URI, the default value of 2 will be assigned to the step parameter.

Example 2-14 Defining the Default Value (@DefaultValue)

```
import javax.ws.rs.Path;
import javax.ws.rs.GET;
import javax.ws.rs.QueryParam;
...
    @Path("smooth")
    @GET
    public Response smooth(@DefaultValue("2") @QueryParam("step") int step)
    { ... }
}
```



Enabling the Encoding Parameter Values (@Encoded)

Add the javax.ws.rs.Encoded annotation at the class or method level to enable the encoding of a parameter value that is bound using one of the following annotations: @FormParam, @MatrixParam, @PathParam, or @QueryParam. If specified at the class level, parameters for all methods in the class will be encoded. See the @Encoded annotation in the Jakarta EE 8 Specification APIs.

In Example 2-15, the @Encoded annotation enables the encoding of parameter values bound using the @PathParam annotation.

Example 2-15 Encoding Parameter Values

```
package samples.helloworld;
```

import javax.ws.rs.GET; import javax.ws.rs.Path; import javax.ws.rs.Produces; import javax.ws.rs.PathParam;

```
import javax.ws.rs.Encoded;
```

```
// Specifies the path to the RESTful service
@Path("/users")
public class helloWorld {
```

```
. .
@GET
@Path("/{username}")
@Produces("text/xml")
```

@Encoded

}

```
public String getUser(@PathParam("username") String userName) {
    ...
}
```

Building Custom Response Messages

Instead of the default response codes, you can customize the response codes returned or include additional metadata information in the response.

By default, JAX-RS responds to HTTP requests using the default response codes defined in the HTTP specification, such as 200 OK for a successful GET request and 201 CREATED for a successful PUT request.

For example, you might want to include the Location header to specify the URI to the newly created resource. You can modify the response message returned using the javax.ws.rs.core.Response class.

An application can extend the Response class directly or use one of the static Response methods to create a javax.ws.rs.core.Response.ResponseBuilder instance and build the Response instance. The methods you can use are defined in Table 2-5. For more information, see the Response methods in the Jakarta EE 8 Specification APIs.



Method	Description	
created()	Creates a new ResponseBuilder instance and sets the Location header to the specified value.	
fromResponse()	Creates a new ResponseBuilder instance and copies an existing response.	
noContent()	Creates a new ResponseBuilder instance and defines an empty response.	
notAcceptable()	Creates a new ResponseBuilder instance and defines a unacceptable response.	
notModified()	Creates a new ResponseBuilder instance and returns a not-modified status.	
ok()	Creates a new ResponseBuilder instance and returns an OK status.	
seeOther()	Creates a new ResponseBuilder instance for a redirection.	
serverError()	Creates a new ResponseBuilder instance and returns a server error status.	
status()	Creates a new ResponseBuilder instance and returns the specified status.	
<pre>temporaryRedirect()</pre>	Creates a new ResponseBuilder instance for a temporary redirection.	

Table 2-5 Creating a Response Instance Using the ResponseBuilder Class

Once you create a ResponseBuilder instance, you can call the methods defined in Table 2-6 to build a custom response. Then, call the build() method to create the final Response instance. See the Response.ResponseBuilder methods in the Jakarta EE 8 Specification APIs.

Table 2-6 ResponseBuilder Methods for Building a Custom Response

Method	Description	
allow()	Sets the list of allowed methods for the resource.	
build()	Creates the Response instance from the current ResponseBuilder instance	
cacheControl()	Sets the cache control.	
clone()	Create a copy of the ResponseBuilder to preserve its state.	
contentLocation()	Sets the content location.	
cookie()	Add cookies to the response.	
encoding()	Sets the message entity content encoding.	
entity()	Defines the entity.	
expires()	Sets the expiration date.	
neader()	Adds a header to the response.	
.anguage()	Sets the language.	
astModified()	Set the last modified date.	
ink()	Adds a link header.	
inks()	Adds one or more link headers.	
ocation()	Sets the location.	
newInstance()	Creates a new ResponseBuilder instance.	
replaceAll()	Replaces all existing headers with the newly supplied headers.	
status()	Sets the status.	
ag()	Sets an entity tag.	

Method	Description	
type()	Sets the response media type.	
variant()	Set representation metadata.	
variants()	Add a Vary header that lists the available variants.	

Table 2-6 (Cont.) ResponseBuilder Methods for Building a Custom Response

Example 2-16 shows how to build a Response instance using ResponseBuilder. In this example, the standard status code of 200 OK is returned and the media type of the response is set to text/html. A call to the build() method creates the final Response instance.

Example 2-16 Building a Custom Response

```
import javax.ws.rs.Path;
import javax.ws.rs.GET;
import javax.ws.rs.PathParam;
import javax.ws.rs.core.Response;
import javax.ws.rs.core.ResponseBuilder;
. . .
@Path("/content")
public class getDocs {
  0GET
   @Path("{id}")
  public Response getHTMLDoc(@PathParm("id") int docId)
   {
      Document document = ...;
      ResponseBuilder response = Response.ok(document);
      response.type("text/html");
      return response.build();
   }
}
```

If you wish to build an HTTP response using a generic type, to avoid type erasure at runtime you need to create a javax.ws.rs.core.GenericEntity object to preserve the generic type. See the GenericEntity methods in the Jakarta EE 8 Specification APIs.

Example 2-17 provides an example of how to build an HTTP response using GenericEntity to preserve the generic type.

Example 2-17 Building a Custom Response Using a Generic Type

```
import javax.ws.rs.Path;
import javax.ws.rs.GET;
import javax.ws.rs.PathParam;
import javax.ws.rs.core.Response;
import javax.ws.rs.core.ResponseBuilder;
javax.ws.rs.core.GenericEntity;
. . .
@Path("/content")
public class getDocs {
   @GET
   @Path("{id}")
  public Response getHTMLDoc(@PathParm("id") int docId)
   {
      Document document = ...;
      List<String> list = new ArrayList<String>();
      GenericEntity<List<String>> entity = new GenericEntity<List<String>>(list) {};
      . . .
```



```
ResponseBuilder response = Response.ok(document);
response.entity(entity);
return response.build();
}
```

}

Mapping HTTP Request and Response Entity Bodies Using Entity Providers

HTTP request and response entity bodies automatically support a set of Java types that can be utilized by your RESTful web service. These Java types are listed in Table 2-7.

Table 2-7 Java Types Supported for HTTP Request and Response Entity Bodies

Java Type	Supported Media Types
byte[]	All media types (*/*)
java.lang.String	All media types (*/*)
java.io.InputStream	All media types (*/*)
java.io.Reader	All media types (*/*)
java.io.File	All media types (*/*)
javax.activation.DataSource	All media types (*/*)
javax.xml.transform.Source	<pre>XML media types (text/xml, application/xml, and application/ *+xml) and JSON media types (application/json, application/ *+json)</pre>
javax.xml.bind.JAXBElement and application-supplied JAXB classes	<pre>XML media types (text/xml, application/xml, and application/ *+xml)</pre>
MultivaluedMap <string,string></string,string>	Form content (application/x-www-form-urlencoded)
StreamingOutput	All media types (*/*), MessageBodyWriter only

If your RESTful web service utilizes a type that is not listed in Table 2-7, you must define an entity provider, by implementing one of the interfaces defined in Table 2-8, to map HTTP request and response entity bodies to method parameters and return types.

Table 2-8Entity Providers for Mapping HTTP Request and Response Entity Bodies to MethodParameters and Return Types

Entity Provider	Description ag Maps an HTTP request entity body to a method parameter for an HTTP request. Optionally, you can use the @Consumes annotation to specify the MIME media types supported for the entity provider, as described in Customizing Media Types for the Request and Response Messages.	
javax.ws.rs.ext.Messag eBodyReader		
	For example:	
	<pre>@Consumes("application/x-www-form-urlencoded") @Provider public class FormReader implements MessageBodyReader<namevaluepair> { }</namevaluepair></pre>	

Entity Provider	Description
javax.ws.rs.ext.Messag eBodyWriter	Maps the return value to an HTTP response entity body for an HTTP response. Optionally, you can use the @Produces annotation to specify the MIME media types supported for the entity provider, as described in Customizing Media Types for the Request and Response Messages.
	For example:
	<pre>@Produces("text/html") @Provider public class FormWriter implements</pre>

Table 2-8(Cont.) Entity Providers for Mapping HTTP Request and Response Entity Bodies to MethodParameters and Return Types

Note:

Jersey JSON provides a set of JAX-RS MessageBodyReader and MessageBodyWriter providers distributed with the Jersey JSON extension modules. See JSON in the Jersey 2.29 User Guide.

The following code excerpt provides an example of a class that contains a method (getClass) that returns a custom type, and that requires you to write an entity provider.

```
public class Class1
{
    public String hello() { return "Hello"; }
    public Class2 getClass(String name) { return new Class2(); };
}
public class Class2
{
    public Class2() { }
}
```

Accessing the Application Context

The javax.ws.rs.core.Context annotation enables you to access information about the application deployment context and the context of individual requests. Table 2-9 summarizes the context types that you can access using the @Context annotation. For more information, see the @Context annotation in the Jakarta EE 8 Specification APIs.

Use this context type	То
HttpHeaders	Access HTTP header information.
Providers	Lookup Provider instances based on a set of search criteria.
Request Determine the best matching representation variant and to evaluate whether state of the resource matches any preconditions defined. See Using Condition	

Table 2-9 Context Types

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Table 2-9 (Cont.) Context Types

Use this context type	То
SecurityContext	Access the security context and secure the RESTful web service. See Securing RESTful Web Services Using SecurityContext.
UriInfo	Access application and request URI information. See Building URIs.

Building URIs

You can use javax.ws.rs.core.UriInfo to access application and request URI information.

Specifically, UriInfo can be used to return the following information:

- Deployed application's base URI
- Request URI relative to the base URI
- Absolute path URI (with or without the query parameters)

Using UriInfo, you can return a URI or javax.ws.rs.core.UriBuilder instance. UriBuilder simplifies the process of building URIs, and can be used to build new or extend existing URIs.

The UriBuilder methods perform contextual encoding of characters not permitted in the corresponding URI component based on the following rules:

- application/x-www-form-urlencoded media type for query parameters, as defined in "Forms" in the HTML specification at the following URL: http://www.w3.org/TR/html4/ interact/forms.html#h-17.13.4.1
- RFC 3986 for all other components, as defined at the following URL: http:// www.ietf.org/rfc/rfc3986.txt

Example 2-18 shows how to obtain an instance of UriInfo using @Context and use it to return an absolute path of the request URI as a UriBuilder instance. Then, using UriBuilder build a URI for a specific user resource by adding the user ID as a path segment and store it in an array. In this example, the UriInfo instance is injected into a class field. This example is excerpted from the bookmark sample, as described in About the Jersey Bookmark Sample.

Example 2-18 Building URIs

```
import javax.ws.rs.Path;
import javax.ws.rs.GET;
import javax.ws.rs.Produces;
import javax.ws.rs.core.UriBuilder;
import javax.ws.rs.core.UriInfo;
import javax.ws.rs.core.Context;
...
@Path("/users/")
public class UsersResource {
```

@Context UriInfo uriInfo;

• • •

@GET



```
@Produces("application/json")
public JSONArray getUsersAsJsonArray() {
    JSONArray uriArray = new JSONArray();
    for (UserEntity userEntity : getUsers()) {
        UriBuilder ub = uriInfo.getAbsolutePathBuilder();
        URI userUri = ub
            .path(userEntity.getUserid())
            .build();
        uriArray.put(userUri.toASCIIString());
    }
    return uriArray;
}
```

Using Conditional GETs

A *conditional GET* enables you to evaluate one or more preconditions before processing a GET request. If the preconditions are met, a Not Modified (304) response can be returned rather than the normal response, potentially reducing bandwidth and improving server performance.

JAX-RS provides the javax.ws.rs.core.Request contextual interface enabling you to perform conditional GETs. You call the evaluatePreconditions() method and pass a javax.ws.rs.core.EntityTag, the last modified timestamp (as a java.util.Date object), or both. The values are compared to the If-None-Match or If-Not-Modified headers, respectively, if these headers are sent with the request.

If headers are included with the request and the precondition values match the header values, then the evaluatePreconditions() methods returns a predefined ResponseBuilder response with a status code of Not Modified (304). If the precondition values do no match, the evaluatePreconditions() method returns null and the normal response is returned, with 200, OK status.

Example 2-19 shows how to pass the EntityTag to the evaluatePreconditions () method and build the response based on whether the preconditions are met.

Example 2-19 Using Conditional GETs

```
@Path("/employee/{joiningdate}")
public class Employee {
    Date joiningdate;
    public Employee(@PathParam("joiningdate") Date joiningdate, @Context Request req,
        @Context UriInfo ui) {
        this.joiningdate = joiningdate;
        ...
        this.tag = computeEntityTag(ui.getRequestUri());
        if (req.getMethod().equals("GET")) {
            Response.ResponseBuilder rb = req.evaluatePreconditions(tag);
            // Preconditions met
            if (rb != null) {
                return rb.build();
            }
            // Preconditions not met
            // Preconditi
```



```
rb = Response.ok();
rb.tag(tag);
return rb.build();
}
}
```

Accessing the WADL

The Web Application Description Language (WADL) is an XML-based file format that describes your RESTful web services application. By default, a basic WADL is generated at runtime and can be accessed from your RESTful web service by issuing a GET on the /application.wadl resource at the base URI of your RESTful application.

For example:

GET http://<path_to_REST_app>/application.wadl

Alternatively, you can use the OPTIONS method to return the WADL for particular resource.

Example 2-20 shows an example of a WADL for the simple RESTful web service shown in Example 2-1.

Example 2-20 Example of a WADL

More Advanced RESTful Web Service Tasks

The Jersey 2.29 User Guide provides information about more advanced RESTful web service development tasks. See this guide, available at https://eclipse-ee4j.github.io/jersey.github.io/documentation/2.29/index.html, for the following topics:

- Context and Dependency Injection (CDI)
- Enterprise Java Beans (EJB)
- JSON
- XML



3

Developing RESTful Web Service Clients

You can develop Jakarta EE web service clients that conform to the Representational State Transfer (REST) architectural style using the Jersey 2.x Jakarta RESTful Web Services (JAX-RS) 2.1 reference implementation (RI).

This chapter includes the following sections:

- Summary of Tasks to Develop RESTful Web Service Clients
- Example of a RESTful Web Service Client
- Invoking a RESTful Web Service from a Standalone Client
 When invoking a RESTful web service from an environment that does not have Oracle
 Fusion Middleware or WebLogic Server installed locally, and without the entire set of
 Oracle Fusion Middleware or WebLogic Server classes in the CLASSPATH, you can use
 the standalone client JAR file when invoking the web service.
- Using the Reactive JAX-RS Client API Reactive Client API is part of the JAX-RS 2.1 specification.

Summary of Tasks to Develop RESTful Web Service Clients

Some of the tasks required to develop a RESTful web service client include creating the client class, targeting a web resource, identifying resources on the target, and more. The following table summarizes a subset of the tasks that are required to develop RESTful web service clients using Jersey 2.x (JAX-RS 2.0 RI).

Table 3-1 Summary of Tasks to Develop RESTful Web Service Clients

Task	More Information
Create and configure an instance of the javax.ws.rs.client.Client class.	Creating and configuring a Client instance in Jersey 2.29 User Guide
Target the Web resource.	Targeting a web resource in Jersey 2.29 User Guide
Identify resources on WebTarget.	Identifying resource on WebTarget in Jersey 2.29 User Guide
Invoke an HTTP request.	Invoking a HTTP request in Jersey 2.29 User Guide

For information about developing RESTful web service clients using Oracle JDeveloper, see Creating RESTful Web Services and Clients in *Developing Applications with Oracle JDeveloper*.

Example of a RESTful Web Service Client

You can learn more about how to create a RESTful web service client by viewing an example. The following is a simple example that shows how a client can be used to call the RESTful web service defined in Example 2-1. In this example:

- The Client instance is created and a WebTarget defined.
- The resource path is defined to access the Web resource.



- The Invocation.Builder is used to send a get request to the resource.
- The response is returned as a String value.

Example 3-1 Simple RESTful Web Service Client Using Jersey 2.x (JAX-RS 2.0 RI)

```
package samples.helloworld.client;
. . .
import javax.ws.rs.client.Client;
import javax.ws.rs.client.ClientBuilder;
import javax.ws.rs.client.Invocation;
import javax.ws.rs.client.WebTarget;
import javax.ws.rs.core.MediaType;
import javax.ws.rs.core.Response;
public class helloWorldClient{
    public static void main(String[] args) {
        Client client = ClientBuilder.newClient();
        WebTarget target = client.target("http://localhost:7101/restservice");
        WebTarget resourceWebTarget;
        resourceWebTarget = target.path("resources/helloworld");
        Invocation.Builder invocationBuilder;
        invocationBuilder = resourceWebTarget.request(
          MediaType.TEXT PLAIN TYPE);
        Response response = invocationBuilder.get();
        System.out.println(response.getStatus());
        System.out.println(response.readEntity(String.class));
. . .
    }
. . .
}
```

For complete details, see Client API in Jersey 2.29 User Guide.

Invoking a RESTful Web Service from a Standalone Client

When invoking a RESTful web service from an environment that does not have Oracle Fusion Middleware or WebLogic Server installed locally, and without the entire set of Oracle Fusion Middleware or WebLogic Server classes in the CLASSPATH, you can use the standalone client JAR file when invoking the web service.

The standalone RESTful web service client JAR supports basic JAX-RS client-side functionality and OWSM security policies.

To use the standalone RESTful web service client JAR file with your client application, perform the following steps:

- 1. Create a Java SE client using your favorite IDE, such as Oracle JDeveloper. See Developing and Securing Web Services in *Developing Applications with Oracle JDeveloper*.
- Copy the file ORACLE_HOME/oracle_common/modules/clients/ com.oracle.jersey.fmw.client.jar from the computer hosting Oracle Fusion Middleware to the client computer, where ORACLE_HOME is the directory you specified as Oracle Home when you installed Oracle Fusion Middleware.

For example, you might copy the file into the directory that contains other classes used by your client application.

3. Add the JAR file to your CLASSPATH.



Note:

Ensure that your CLASSPATH includes the JAR file that contains the Ant classes (ant.jar) as a subset are used by the standalone client JAR files. This JAR file is typically located in the lib directory of the Ant distribution.

Using the Reactive JAX-RS Client API

Reactive Client API is part of the JAX-RS 2.1 specification.

All invocations in the client API are set in synchronous mode by default. In synchronous processing, each request is processed in a single HTTP thread. After the processing is finished, the thread is returned back to the pool. This approach can result in taking more time to complete and unnecessary blocking of the resources.

Asynchronous programming in JAX-RS enables client to unblock certain threads by pushing the work to background threads which can be monitored and joined at a later time. The resources are used optimally to achieve quick response time.

In JAX-RS 2.1, you can achieve asynchronous programming by providing an instance of InvocationCallback, which also enables a more reactive programming style in which the user-provided code reacts only when a certain event has occurred. Callback works well for simple cases but the coding becomes complex when multiple events come into play. To make the asynchronous programming more readable, a new interface CompletionStage is introduced for managing large number of methods dedicated for asynchronous computations.

See Usage and Extension Modules in *Jersey 2.29 User Guide* for more information about the different types of invokers based on CompletionStage.

See Reactive JAX-RS Client API in Jersey 2.29 User Guide for more detailed information.

Note:

In WebLogic Server, the following reactive libraries are not supported:

- RxJava (Observable)
- RxJava (Flowable)
- Guava (ListenableFuture)



4

Building, Packaging, and Deploying RESTful Web Service Applications

Oracle WebLogic Server provides the components and utilities you need to package and deploy Jakarta EE web services that conform to the Representational State Transfer (REST) architectural style using the Jersey 2.x JAX-RS 2.1 reference implementation (RI).

This chapter includes the following sections:

- Building RESTful Web Service Applications
- Packaging RESTful Web Service Applications All RESTful web service applications must be packaged as part of a web application. If your web service is implemented as an EJB, it must be packaged and deployed within a WAR.
- Deploying RESTful Web Service Applications

Building RESTful Web Service Applications

You can build your RESTful web service and client applications using the compilation tools, such as Apache Ant, Maven, or your favorite IDE, such as Oracle JDeveloper.See Overview of WebLogic Server Application Development in *Developing Applications for Oracle WebLogic Server*. For more information about JDeveloper, see Building Java Projects in *Developing Applications with Oracle JDeveloper*.

Packaging RESTful Web Service Applications

All RESTful web service applications must be packaged as part of a web application. If your web service is implemented as an EJB, it must be packaged and deployed within a WAR.

Table 4-1 summarizes the specific packaging options available for RESTful web service applications.

Table 4-1	Packaging Options for RESTfu	I Web Service Applications
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Packaging Option	Description
Application subclass	Define a class that extends javax.ws.rs.core.Application to define the components of a RESTful web service application deployment and provide additional metadata. You can add a javax.ws.rs.ApplicationPath annotation to the subclass to configure the servlet context path.
	See Packaging With an Application Subclass.
Servlet	Update the web.xml deployment descriptor to configure the servlet and mappings. The method used depends on whether your Web application is using Servlet 3.0 or earlier. See Packaging With a Servlet.
Default resource	If you do not configure the servlet context path in your configuration using either of the options specified above, the WebLogic Server provides a default RESTful web service application servlet context path, resources. See Packaging as a Default Resource.



- Packaging With an Application Subclass
- Packaging With a Servlet
- Packaging as a Default Resource

Packaging With an Application Subclass

In this packaging scenario, you create a class that extends javax.ws.rs.core.Application to define the components of a RESTful web service application deployment and provides additional metadata. See javax.ws.rs.core.Application in the Jakarta EE 8 Specification APIs.

Within the Application subclass, override the getClasses() and getSingletons() methods, as required, to return the list of RESTful web service resources. A resource is bound to the Application subclass that returns it.

Note that an error is returned if both methods return the same resource.

Use the javax.ws.rs.ApplicationPath annotation to define the base URI pattern that gets mapped to the servlet. For more information about how this information is used in the base URI of the resource, see What Happens at Runtime: How the Base URI is Constructed. See the @ApplicationPath annotation in the Jakarta EE 8 Specification APIs.

For simple deployments, no web.xml deployment descriptor is required. For more complex deployments, for example to secure the web service or specify initialization parameters, you can package a web.xml deployment descriptor with your application, as described in Packaging With a Servlet.

Example 4-1 provides an example of a class that extends javax.ws.rs.core.Application and uses the @ApplicationPath annotation to define the base URI of the resource.

Example 4-1 Example of a Class that Extends javax.ws.rs.core.Application

```
import javax.ws.rs.core.Application;
javax.ws.rs.ApplicationPath;
...
@ApplicationPath("resources")
public class MyApplication extends Application {
    public Set<Class<?>> getClasses() {
        Set<Class<?>> s = new HashSet<Class<?>>();
        s.add(HelloWorldResource.class);
        return s;
    }
}
```

Alternatively, use the following API to scan for root resource and provider classes for a specified classpath or a set of package names:

 org.glassfish.jersey.server.ResourceConfig, as described in JAX-RS Application Model in Jersey 2.29 User Guide.

Packaging With a Servlet

The following sections describe how to package the RESTful web service application with a servlet using the web.xml deployment descriptor, based on whether your Web application is using Servlet 3.0 or earlier.



The web.xml file is located in the WEB-INF directory in the root directory of your application archive. For more information about the web.xml deployment descriptor, see web.xml Deployment Descriptor Elements in *Developing Web Applications, Servlets, and JSPs for Oracle WebLogic Server*.

- How to Package the RESTful Web Service Application with Servlet 3.0
- How to Package the RESTful Web Service Application with Pre-3.0 Servlets

How to Package the RESTful Web Service Application with Servlet 3.0

To package the RESTful Web Service application with Servlet 3.0, update the web.xml deployment descriptor to define the elements defined in the following sections. The elements vary depending on whether you include in the package a class that extends javax.ws.rs.core.Application.

For more information about any of the elements, see servlet in *Developing Web Applications, Servlets, and JSPs for Oracle WebLogic Server.*

- Packaging the RESTful Web Service Application Using web.xml With Application Subclass
- Packaging the RESTful Web Service Application Using web.xml Without Application Subclass

Packaging the RESTful Web Service Application Using web.xml With Application Subclass

If a class that extends javax.ws.rs.core.Application is packaged with web.xml, then define the elements as described in Table 4-2. For an example, see Example 4-2.

Table 4-2 Packaging the RESTful Web Service Application Using web.xml With Application Subclass

Element	Description	
<servlet-name></servlet-name>	Set this element to the fully qualified name of the class that extends javax.ws.rs.core.Application. You can specify multiple servlet entries to define multiple Application subclass names.	
<servlet-class></servlet-class>	Not required.	
<init-param></init-param>	Not required.	
<servlet-mapping></servlet-mapping>	 Set as the base URI pattern that gets mapped to the servlet. If not specified, one of the following values are used, in order of precedence: @ApplicationPath annotation value defined in the javax.ws.rs.core.Application subclass. For example: 	
	package test; @ApplicationPath("res") public class MyJaxRsApplication extends java.ws.rs.core.Application 	
	 See Packaging With an Application Subclass. The value resources. This is the default base URI pattern for RESTful web service applications. See Packaging as a Default Resource. If both the <servlet-mapping> and @ApplicationPath are specified, the <servlet-mapping> takes precedence.</servlet-mapping></servlet-mapping> 	
	For more information about how this information is used in the base URI of the resource, see What Happens at Runtime: How the Base URI is Constructed.	



The following example demonstrates how to update the web.xml file if a class that extends javax.ws.rs.core.Application is packaged with web.xml.

Example 4-2 Updating web.xml for Servlet 3.0 If Application Subclass is in Package

Packaging the RESTful Web Service Application Using web.xml Without Application Subclass

If a class that extends javax.ws.rs.core.Application is not packaged with web.xml, then define the elements as described in Table 4-3.



Table 4-3Packaging the RESTful Web Service Application Using web.xml Without ApplicationSubclass

Element	Description	
<servlet-name></servlet-name>	Set this element to the desired servlet name.	
<servlet-class></servlet-class>	Set this element to org.glassfish.jersey.servlet.ServletContainer to delegate all Web requests to the Jersey servlet.	
<init-param></init-param>	Not required.	
<servlet-mapping></servlet-mapping>	Set as the base URI pattern that gets mapped to the servlet. If not specified, this value defaults to resources. See Packaging as a Default Resource.	
	For more information about how this information is used in the base URI of the resource, see What Happens at Runtime: How the Base URI is Constructed.	

The following example demonstrates how to update the web.xml file if a class that extends javax.ws.rs.core.Application is **not** packaged with web.xml.

Note:

The JAX-RS Specification requires the RESTful Web Service application using the web.xml without the Application subclass for Servlet 3.0 to set the servlet-name to javax.ws.rs.Application as described in the Jersey 2.29 User Guide. The packaging method defined in this section is not supported by the JAX-RS Specification.



Example 4-3 Updating web.xml for Servlet 3.0 If Application Subclass is Not in Package

How to Package the RESTful Web Service Application with Pre-3.0 Servlets

Table 4-4 describes the elements to update in the web.xml deployment descriptor to package the RESTful web service application with a pre-3.0 servlet.

Element Description <servlet-name> Set this element to the desired servlet name. <servlet-class> Set this element to org.glassfish.jersey.servlet.ServletContainer to delegate all Web requests to the Jersey servlet. Set this element to define the class that extends the javax.ws.rs.core.Application: <init-param> <init-param> <param-name> javax.ws.rs.Application </param-name> <param-value> ApplicationSubclassName </param-value> </init-param> Alternatively, you can specify the packages to be scanned for resources and providers, as follows:

Table 4-4 Packaging the RESTful Web Service Application with Pre-3.0 Servlets

```
<init-param>
   <param-name>
     jersey.config.server.provider.packages
  </param-name>
   <param-value>
     project1
    </param-value>
</init-param>
<init-param>
    <param-name>
       jersey.config.server.provider.scanning.recursive
   </param-name>
    <param-value>
       false
    </param-value>
</init-param>
```



Element	Description
<pre><servlet-mapping></servlet-mapping></pre>	Set as the base URI pattern that gets mapped to the servlet.
	If not specified, one of the following values are used, in order of precedence:
	• @ApplicationPath annotation value defined in the javax.ws.rs.core.Application subclass. For example:
	<pre>package test; @ApplicationPath("res") public class MyJaxRsApplication extends java.ws.rs.core.Application </pre>
	 See Packaging With an Application Subclass. The value resources. This is the default base URI pattern for RESTful web service applications. See Packaging as a Default Resource. If both the <servlet-mapping> and @ApplicationPath are specified, the <servlet-mapping> takes precedence.</servlet-mapping></servlet-mapping>
	For more information about how this information is used in the base URI of the resource, see What Happens at Runtime: How the Base URI is Constructed.

Table 4-4 (Cont.) Packaging the RESTful Web Service Application with Pre-3.0 Servlets

The following example demonstrates how to update the web.xml file if a class that extends javax.ws.rs.core.Application is not packaged with web.xml.

Example 4-4 Updating web.xml for Pre-3.0 Servlets

Packaging as a Default Resource

By default, WebLogic Server defines a default RESTful web service application context path, resources. The default RESTful web service application context path is used if the following are true:

- You did not update the web.xml deployment descriptor to include a Servlet mapping, as described in Packaging With a Servlet.
- The @ApplicationPath annotation is not defined in the javax.ws.rs.core.Application subclass, as described in Packaging With an Application Subclass.

Note:

If a servlet is already registered at the default context path, then a warning is issued.

For example, if the relative URI of the root resource class for the RESTful web service application is defined as <code>@Path('/helloworld')</code> and the default RESTful web service application context path is used, then the RESTful web service application resource will be available at:

http://<host>:<port>/<contextPath>/resources/helloworld

Deploying RESTful Web Service Applications

Application deployment refers to the process of making an application or module available for processing client requests in a WebLogic domain. For information about deploying a web application, see Understanding WebLogic Server Deployment in *Deploying Applications to Oracle WebLogic Server*.



5 Securing RESTful Web Services and Clients

Oracle WebLogic Server fully supports the means to secure Jakarta EE web services that conform to the Representational State Transfer (REST) architectural style using the JAX-RS reference implementation (RI).

This chapter includes the following sections:

- About RESTful Web Service Security
- Securing RESTful Web Services and Clients Using OWSM Policies
- Securing RESTful Web Services Using web.xml
- Securing RESTful Web Services Using SecurityContext
- Securing RESTful Web Services Using Java Security Annotations

About RESTful Web Service Security

You can secure your RESTful web services so that they can support authentication, authorization, or encryption. You can use one of the following methods:

- Attaching Oracle Web Services Manager (OWSM) policies. See Securing RESTful Web Services and Clients Using OWSM Policies.
- Updating the web.xml deployment descriptor to access information about the authenticated users. See Securing RESTful Web Services Using web.xml.
- Using the javax.ws.rs.core.SecurityContext interface to access security-related information for a request. See Securing RESTful Web Services Using SecurityContext.
- Applying annotations to your JAX-RS classes. See Securing RESTful Web Services Using Java Security Annotations.

For information about developing RESTful web service clients using Oracle JDeveloper, see How to Attach Policies to RESTful Web Services and Clients in *Developing Applications with Oracle JDeveloper*.

Securing RESTful Web Services and Clients Using OWSM Policies

Only a subset of OWSM security policies are supported for RESTful web services.For information, see Which OWSM Policies Are Supported for RESTful Web Services in Securing Web Services and Managing Policies with Oracle Web Services Manager. You can attach OWSM security policies to RESTful web services using one of the following methods:

- Programmatically, at design time, as described in Attaching Policies to RESTful Web Services and Clients at Design Time in *Securing Web Services and Managing Policies with Oracle Web Services Manager*.
- Post-deployment, both directly and globally, using:



- Fusion Middleware Control, as described in About Attaching Policies to Web Services and Clients Using Fusion Middleware Control in Securing Web Services and Managing Policies with Oracle Web Services Manager.
- WLST, as described in About Attaching Policies to Web Services and Clients Using WLST in Securing Web Services and Managing Policies with Oracle Web Services Manager.

Example 5-1 provides an example of using WLST to attach the oracle/ http_basic_auth_over_ssl_service_policy policy to a RESTful service. See Attaching Policies Directly Using WLST in Securing Web Services and Managing Policies with Oracle Web Services Manager.

Example 5-1 Securing RESTful Web Services Using OWSM Policies With WLST

```
C:\Oracle\Middleware\oracle common\bin> wlst.cmd
. . .
wls:/offline> connect("weblogic", "password", "t3://myAdminServer.example.com:7001")
Connecting to t3://myAdminServer.example.com:7001" with userid weblogic ...
Successfully connected to Admin Server "AdminServer" that belongs to domain "my domain".
Warning: An insecure protocol was used to connect to the
server. To ensure on-the-wire security, the SSL port or
Admin port should be used instead.
wls:/my domain/serverConfig> beginWSMSession()
Location changed to domainRuntime tree. This is a read-only tree with DomainMBean as the root.
For more help, use help('domainRuntime')
Session started for modification.
wls:/my domain/serverConfig> selectWSMPolicySubject('weblogic/my domain/jaxrs pack', '#jaxrs pack.war',
'REST-Resource(Jersey)')
The policy subject is selected for modification.
wls:/my domain/serverConfig> attachWSMPolicy('oracle/http basic auth over ssl service policy')
Policy reference "oracle/http basic auth over ssl service policy" added.
```

wls:/my_domain/serverConfig> commitWSMSession()

The policy set for subject "/weblogic/my_domain/jaxrs_pack|#jaxrs_pack.war|REST-Resource(Jersey)" was saved successfully.

Securing RESTful Web Services Using web.xml

You secure RESTful web services using the web.xml deployment descriptor as you would for other Jakarta EE Web applications. For complete details, see:

- Developing Secure Web Applications in *Developing Applications with the WebLogic Security Service*.
- Securing Web Applications in The Java EE 8 Tutorial.

For example, to secure your RESTful web service using basic authentication, perform the following steps:

- Define a <security-constraint> for each set of RESTful resources (URIs) that you plan to protect.
- 2. Use the <login-config> element to define the type of authentication you want to use and the security realm to which the security constraints will be applied.



- 3. Define one or more security roles using the <security-role> tag and map them to the security constraints defined in step 1. See security-role in *Developing Applications with the WebLogic Security Service*.
- 4. To enable encryption, add the <user-data-constraint> element and set the <transportguarantee> subelement to CONFIDENTIAL. See user-data-constraint in *Developing Applications with the WebLogic Security Service*.

Example 5-2 Securing RESTful Web Services Using Basic Authentication

The following example demonstrates how to secure a Jersey 2.x (JAX-RS 2.0) RESTful web service using basic authentication.

```
<web-app>
   <servlet>
       <servlet-name>RestServlet</servlet-name>
        <servlet-class>org.glassfish.jersey.servlet.ServletContainer</servlet-class>
   </servlet>
   <servlet-mapping>
       <servlet-name>RestServlet</servlet-name>
       <url-pattern>/*</url-pattern>
   </servlet-mapping>
   <security-constraint>
        <web-resource-collection>
             <web-resource-name>Orders</web-resource-name>
             <url-pattern>/orders</url-pattern>
             <http-method>GET</http-method>
             <http-method>POST</http-method>
        </web-resource-collection>
         <auth-constraint>
             <role-name>admin</role-name>
        </auth-constraint>
   </security-constraint>
   <login-config>
        <auth-method>BASIC</auth-method>
        <realm-name>default</realm-name>
   </login-config>
   <security-role>
        <role-name>admin</role-name>
   </security-role>
</web-app>
```

Securing RESTful Web Services Using SecurityContext

The javax.ws.rs.core.SecurityContext interface provides access to security-related information for a request. The SecurityContext provides functionality similar to javax.servlet.http.HttpServletRequest, enabling you to access the following security-related information:

- java.security.Principal object containing the name of the user making the request.
- Authentication type used to secure the resource, such as BASIC_AUTH, FORM_AUTH, and CLIENT_CERT_AUTH.
- Whether the authenticated user is included in a particular role.
- Whether the request was made using a secure channel, such as HTTPS.

You access the SecurityContext by injecting an instance into a class field, setter method, or method parameter using the javax.ws.rs.core.Context annotation.



For more information, see the following topics in the Jakarta EE 8 Specification APIs:

- SecurityContext interface
- @Context annotation

Example 5-3 shows how to inject an instance of SecurityContext into the sc method parameter using the @Context annotation, and check whether the authorized user is included in the admin role before returning the response.

Example 5-3 Securing RESTful Web Service Using SecurityContext

```
package samples.helloworld;
```

```
import javax.ws.rs.GET;
import javax.ws.rs.Path;
import javax.ws.rs.Produces;
import javax.ws.rs.core.SecurityContext;
import javax.ws.rs.core.Context;
...
```

```
@Path("/stateless")
@Stateless(name = "JaxRSStatelessEJB")
public class StlsEJBApp {
...
     @GET
     @Produces("text/plain;charset=UTF-8")
     @Path("/hello")
     public String sayHello(@Context SecurityContext sc) {
        if (sc.isUserInRole("admin")) return "Hello World!";
        throw new SecurityException("User is unauthorized.");
     }
```

Securing RESTful Web Services Using Java Security Annotations

The javax.annotation.security package provides annotations that you can use to secure your RESTful web services.These annotations are defined in Table 5-1.

Table 5-1 Annotations for Securing RESTful Web Services

Annotation	Description	
@DenyAll	Specifies that no security roles are allowed to invoke the specified methods.	
@PermitAll	Specifies that all security roles are allowed to invoke the specified methods.	
@RolesAllowed	Specifies the list of security roles that are allowed to invoke the methods in the application.	

Before you can use the annotations defined in Table 5-1, you must register the roles-allowed feature, as described in Securing JAX-RS resources with standard javax.annotation.security annotations in the Jersey 2.29 User Guide.

Example 5-4 shows how to define the security roles that are allowed, by default, to access the methods defined in the helloworld class. The sayHello method is annotated with the @RolesAllows annotation to override the default and only allow users that belong to the ADMIN security role.



Example 5-4 Securing RESTful Web Service Using Java Security Annotations

```
package samples.helloworld;
```

```
import javax.ws.rs.GET;
import javax.ws.rs.Path;
import javax.ws.rs.Produces;
import javax.annotation.Security.RolesAllowed;
```

```
@Path("/helloworld")
@RolesAllowed({"ADMIN", "ORG1"})
public class helloWorld {
    @GET
    @Path("sayHello")
    @Produces("text/plain")
    @RolesAllows("ADMIN")
    public String sayHello() {
        return "Hello World!";
    }
}
```

See also:

- Specifying Authorized Users by Declaring Security Roles in The Java EE 8 Tutorial
- javax.annotation.security Javadoc



6 **Testing RESTful Web Services**

After you have deployed a Web application that contains a RESTful web service to Oracle WebLogic Server, you can test your application. This chapter describes how to test Java EE web services that conform to the Representational State Transfer (REST) architectural style using Java API for RESTful Web Services (JAX-RS).

Table 6-1 lists the methods that can be employed to test your RESTful web service.

Table 6-1 Methods for Testing RESTful Web Services

Method	Description
Enterprise Manager Fusion Middleware Control	Use the test interface provided with Enterprise Manager Fusion Middleware Control to test the RESTful web service resource methods. See Introduction to Testing a RESTful Web Service in <i>Administering Web Services</i> .
WebLogic Remote Console	To validate the application deployment and construct the URL to view the WADL file, see Test Application Deployment in the <i>Oracle WebLogic Remote Console Online Help</i> .



7 Monitoring RESTful Web Services and Clients

Oracle WebLogic Server supports a number of ways to monitor Jakarta EE web services that conform to the Representational State Transfer (REST) architectural style using JAX-RS.

This chapter includes the following sections:

- About Monitoring RESTful Web Services
- Monitoring RESTful Web Services Using Enterprise Manager Fusion Middleware Control
- Monitoring RESTful Web Services Using WLST
- Enabling the Tracing Feature
- Disabling RESTful Web Service Application Monitoring You can disable monitoring for an individual Jersey 2.x JAX-RS application, or globally for an entire WebLogic domain.
- Enable Monitoring of Synthetic Jersey Resources in a RESTful Web Service Application

About Monitoring RESTful Web Services

WebLogic Server provides several runtime MBeans that capture runtime information and let you monitor runtime statistics for your RESTful web service applications. Application monitoring is useful when you need to identify the performance hotspots in your JAX-RS application, observe execution statistics of particular resources, or listen to application or request lifecycle events.

You can use the methods defined in Table 7-1 to monitor your RESTful web service applications.

Table 7-1 Methods for Monitoring RESTful Web Services

Method	Description
Fusion Middleware Control Enterprise Manager	Access runtime information and monitor runtime statistics, as described in Monitoring RESTful Web Services Using Enterprise Manager Fusion Middleware Control.
WebLogic Scripting Tool (WLST)	Access runtime information and monitor runtime statistics, as described in Monitoring RESTful Web Services Using WLST.
Logging filter	Monitor how a request is processed and dispatched to Jersey JAX-RS RI components, as described in Enabling the Tracing Feature.

In addition to the monitoring methods described in Table 7-1, Jersey 2.x (JAX-RS 2.1 RI) provides additional monitoring features, including support for event listeners and statistics monitoring. See Monitoring Jersey Applications in the Jersey 2.29 User Guide.



Note:

RESTful web service monitoring is enabled by default. In some cases, this may result in increased memory consumption. You can disable the monitoring feature at the domain level, and at the application level. See Disabling RESTful Web Service Application Monitoring.

Monitoring RESTful Web Services Using Enterprise Manager Fusion Middleware Control

Using Enterprise Manager Fusion Middleware Control, you can monitor runtime statistics for your RESTful Applications and resources, such as error and invocation counts, execution times, and so on. For complete information, see Monitoring Web Services in *Administering Web Services*.

Monitoring RESTful Web Services Using WLST

You can use WLST to monitor the runtime MBeans that capture runtime information and runtime statistics for your RESTful web service applications. These MBeans are listed and described in Table 7-2.

Runtime MBean	Description
ExceptionMapperStatistic s	Displays monitoring information about the RESTful web service application exception mapper executions. See JaxRsExceptionMapperStatisticsRuntimeMBean in <i>MBean Reference</i> for Oracle WebLogic Server.
JaxRsApplication	Displays monitoring information for the RESTful web service application. See JaxRsApplicationRuntimeBean in <i>MBean Reference</i> <i>for Oracle WebLogic Server</i> .
RequestStatistics	Displays monitoring information about requests executed by the RESTful web service application. The statistics apply to all requests handled by the application and are not bound to any specific resource or resource method. See JaxRsExecutionStatisticsRuntimeMBean in <i>MBean Reference for Oracle WebLogic Server</i> .
ResourceConfig	Displays monitoring information about the RESTful web service application resource configuration. See JaxRsResourceConfigTypeRuntimeBean in <i>MBean Reference for</i> <i>Oracle WebLogic Server.</i>
	Note: The JaxRsResourceConfigTypeRuntimeBean is deprecated in this release of WebLogic Server. You should use the Properties and ApplicationClass attributes of the JaxRsApplicationRuntimeMBean instead. See JaxRsApplicationRuntimeBean inMBean Reference for Oracle WebLogic Server.

Table 7-2 Runtime MBeans for Monitoring RESTful Web Services



Runtime MBean	Description	
ResponseStatistics	Displays monitoring information about responses created by the RESTful web service application. The statistics apply to all responses created by the application and are not bound to any specific resource or resource method. See JaxRsResponseStatisticsRuntimeMBean in <i>MBean Reference for Oracle WebLogic Server</i> .	
RootResources	Displays monitoring information about the RESTful web service resource. Any object that is managed by a container (such as EJB) will have application scope. All other resources by default will have request scope. See JaxRsResourceRuntimeMBeanin <i>MBean Reference for</i> <i>Oracle WebLogic Server</i> .	
	Note: This MBean is deprecated in this release of WebLogic Server. You should use RootResourcesByClass instead.	
RootResourcesByClass	Displays monitoring information for each resource class that is deployed in the RESTful web service application. One resource class can serve requests matched to different URIs. The array contains resource classes that are registered in the resource model plus resource classes of sub resources returned from sub resource locators. See JaxRsResourceRuntimeMBean in <i>MBean Reference for</i> <i>Oracle WebLogic Server.</i>	
RootResourcesbyURI	Displays monitoring information for each URI that is exposed in the RESTful web service application. See JaxRsUriRuntimeMBean in MBean Reference for Oracle WebLogic Server.	
Servlet	Displays monitoring information for the servlet that hosts the RESTful web service application. See ServletRuntimeMBean in MBean Reference for Oracle WebLogic Server.	

Table 7-2 (Cont.) Runtime MBeans for Monitoring RESTful Web Services

To monitor RESTful web services using WLST, perform the steps provided in the following procedure.

In this procedure, the example steps provided demonstrate how to monitor the JAX-RS 2.0 Asynchronous Processing sample delivered with the WebLogic Server Samples Server, described at Sample Applications and Code Examples in *Understanding Oracle WebLogic Server*.

1. Invoke WLST, as described in "Invoking WLST" in Understanding the WebLogic Scripting Tool.

For example:

c:\Oracle\oracle common\common\bin> wlst

 Connect to the Administration Server instance, as described in connect in WLST Command Reference for Oracle WebLogic Server.

For example:

wls:/offline> connect('weblogic','password','t3://localhost:8001')

3. Navigate to the server runtime MBean, as described in serverRuntime in WLST Command Reference for Oracle WebLogic Server.

For example:

wls:/samples/serverConfig> serverRuntime()



```
Location changed to serverRuntime tree. This is a read-only tree with ServerRuntimeMBean as the root.
For more help, use help('serverRuntime')
```

wls:/samples/serverRuntime>

4. Navigate to the Web application component runtime MBean.

For example, to navigate to runtime MBean for the application named jaxrs-async:

```
wls:/samples/serverRuntime> cd('ApplicationRuntimes/jaxrs-async')
wls:/samples/serverRuntime/ApplicationRuntimes/jaxrs-async> cd('ComponentRuntimes')
wls:/samples/serverRuntime/ApplicationRuntimes/jaxrs/ComponentRuntimes> cd
('AdminServer_/jaxrs-async')
```

5. Navigate to the application runtime MBean for the RESTful web service request statistics.

For example:

```
wls:/samples/serverRuntime/ApplicationRuntimes/jaxrs-async/ComponentRuntimes> cd
('AdminServer_/jaxrs-async'
wls:/samples_domain/serverRuntime/ApplicationRuntimes/jaxrs-async/ComponentRuntimes/
AdminServer_/jaxrs-async>
cd ('JaxRsApplications/examples.javaee7.jaxrs.async.MessageApplication/
RequestStatistics/
examples.javaee7.jaxrs.async.MessageApplication RequestStatistics')
```

 Review the monitoring information displayed for the RESTful web service application. See JaxRsApplicationRuntimeBean in MBean Reference for Oracle WebLogic Server.

For example:

```
wls:/samples/serverRuntime/ApplicationRuntimes/jaxrs-async/ComponentRuntimes/
AdminServer /jaxrs-async
/JaxRsApplications/examples.javaee7.jaxrs.async.MessageApplication/RequestStatistics
/examples.javaee7.jaxrs.async.MessageApplication RequestStatistics>
ls()
-r--
      AvgTimeLast15m
                                                    -1
-r--
      AvgTimeLast15s
                                                    -1
      AvgTimeLast1h
                                                    -1
-r--
      AvgTimeLast1m
                                                    -1
-r--
      AvgTimeLast1s
                                                    -1
-r--
      AvgTimeTotal
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-r--
      MaxTimeLast15m
                                                    -1
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      MaxTimeLast15s
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      MaxTimeLast1h
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-r--
      MaxTimeLast1m
      MaxTimeLast1s
                                                    -1
-r--
     MaxTimeTotal
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-r-- MinTimeLast15s
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-r-- MinTimeLast1h
                                                    -1
-r-- MinTimeLast1m
                                                    -1
-r-- MinTimeLast1s
                                                    -1
-r-- MinTimeTotal
                                                    0
-r-- Name
examples.javaee7.jaxrs.async.MessageApplication RequestStatisti
CS
-r--
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-r--
      RequestCountLast15s
-r--
      RequestCountLast1h
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-r--
      RequestCountLast1m
                                                    0
-r--
      RequestCountLast1s
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-r--
      RequestCountTotal
                                                    0
-r--
      RequestRateLast15m
                                                    0.0
```



-r -r	RequestRateLast15s RequestRateLast1h	0.0
	RequestRateLast1m	0.0
-r	RequestRateLast1s	0.0
-r	RequestRateTotal	0.0
-r	Туре	JaxRsExecutionStatisticsRuntime

```
wls:/samples/serverRuntime/ApplicationRuntimes/jaxrs-async/ComponentRuntimes/
AdminServer_/jaxrs-async
```

/JaxRsApplications/examples.javaee7.jaxrs.async.MessageApplication/RequestStatistics /examples.javaee7.jaxrs.async.MessageApplication_RequestStatistics>

- Navigate to any of the other runtime MBeans described in Table 7-2 to view additional monitoring information.
- 8. Exit WLST, as described in Exiting WLST in Understanding the WebLogic Scripting Tool.

For example:

```
wls:/samples/serverRuntime/ApplicationRuntimes/jaxrs-async/ComponentRuntimes/
AdminServer_/jaxrs-async
/JaxRsApplications/examples.javaee7.jaxrs.async.MessageApplication/RequestStatistics
/examples.javaee7.jaxrs.async.MessageApplication_RequestStatistics>exit()
Exiting WebLogic Scripting Tool.
c:\>
```

Enabling the Tracing Feature

The Jersey tracing feature provides useful information that describes how a request is processed and dispatched to Jersey JAX-RS RI components. Trace messages are output in the same order as they occur, so the numbering is useful to reconstruct the tracing order. When enabled, the Jersey 2.x tracing facility collects useful information for individual requests from all components of the JAX-RS server-side request processing pipeline. The information collected may provide vital details for troubleshooting your Jersey or JAX-RS application.

The tracing information for a single request is returned to the requesting client in the HTTP headers of the response. In addition, the information is logged on the server-side using a dedicated Java Logger instance.

For more information about enabling the Jersey 2.x tracing facility, see Tracing Support in *Jersey 2.29 User Guide*.

Disabling RESTful Web Service Application Monitoring

You can disable monitoring for an individual Jersey 2.x JAX-RS application, or globally for an entire WebLogic domain.

For example, you can disable monitoring in the following ways:

- At the application level, you can set a WebLogic Server-specific Jersey 2.x application property, jersey.config.wls.server.monitoring.enabled. See Disabling Monitoring for a RESTful Web Service Application Using Jersey Property.
- At both the application level and at the domain level, you can disable monitoring using a WebLogic Configuration MBean, WebAppComponentMBean.JaxRsMonitoringDefaultBehavior. See Disabling Monitoring for

a RESTful Web Service Application Using WebLogic Configuration MBean and Disabling RESTful Web Service Application Monitoring for a WebLogic Domain.



WebLogic Server uses the following algorithm to determine whether monitoring should be enabled or disabled for each application.

 WebLogic Server checks the JAX-RS application property jersey.config.wls.server.monitoring.enabled.

If it is set for the application, then WebLogic Server uses this value to determine if monitoring should be enabled or disabled for the application. If this value is not set, it proceeds to the next step.

 WebLogic Server checks the configuration MBean WebAppComponentMBean.JaxRsMonitoringDefaultBehavior property for the individual application.

If it is set for the application, then WebLogic Server uses this value to determine if monitoring should be enabled or disabled for the application. If this value is not set, it proceeds to the next step.

3. WebLogic Server checks the configuration MBean WebAppContainerMBean.JaxRsMonitoringDefaultBehavior property setting for the domain.

If it is set for the domain, then WebLogic Server uses this value to determine if monitoring should be enabled or disabled for the application. If this value is not set, it proceeds to the next step.

- 4. WebLogic Server uses the default setting, which is to enable JAX-RS monitoring for the application if none of the configuration properties in the previous steps have been set.
- Disabling Monitoring for a RESTful Web Service Application Using Jersey Property
- Disabling Monitoring for a RESTful Web Service Application Using WebLogic Configuration
 MBean
- Disabling RESTful Web Service Application Monitoring for a WebLogic Domain

Disabling Monitoring for a RESTful Web Service Application Using Jersey Property

Jersey 2.x supports the following WebLogic Server-specific property that you can use to disable application monitoring for an individual RESTful web service application:

jersey.config.wls.server.monitoring.enabled

Setting this property to false disables monitoring in the application. You can set this property programmatically in the JAX-RS application subclass code, or declaratively via Servlet init parameters specified in the web.xml as shown in the following examples.

For convenience, the property name is stored in the weblogic.jaxrs.server.WeblogicServerProperties.MONITORING ENABLED constant field.

Example 7-1 provides an example of how you can disable monitoring programmatically in a RESTful web service application by extending the JAX-RS Application class.

Example 7-1 Disable Application Monitoring Programmatically by Extending the JAX-RS Application Class

```
ApplicationPath("/")
public class MyApplication extends Application {
   public Map<String, Object> getProperties() {
     final Map<String, Object> properties = new HashMap<>();
```



```
// Disable JAX-RS Application monitoring (and WLS console monitoring) for this internal application.
```

properties.put(weblogic.jaxrs.server.WeblogicServerProperties.MONITORING_ENABLED,
false);

```
return properties;
}
```

Example 7-2 provides an example of how you can disable monitoring programmatically in a RESTful web service application by extending the JAX-RS Jersey ResourceConfig class.

Example 7-2 Disable Application Monitoring Programmatically by Extending the Jersey ResourceConfig Class

```
@ApplicationPath("/")
public class MyApplication extends ResourceConfig {
    public MyApplication() {
        // ...
        // Disable JAX-RS Application monitoring (and WLS console monitoring) for this
    internal application.
        property(weblogic.jaxrs.server.WeblogicServerProperties.MONITORING_ENABLED, false);
    }
    // ...
}
```

Example 7-3 provides an example of how you can disable monitoring declaratively using Servlet init parameters specified in the web.xml.

Example 7-3 Disable Application Monitoring Declaratively Using Servlet Init Parameters in web.xml

```
<?xml version="1.0" encoding="ISO-8859-1"?>
<web-app version="2.5"
        xmlns="http://xmlns.jcp.org/xml/ns/javaee"
        xmlns:xsi="http://www.w3.org/2001/XMLSchema-instance"
        xsi:schemaLocation="http://xmlns.jcp.org/xml/ns/javaee http://
xmlns.jcp.org/xml/ns/javaee/web-app 3 1.xsd">
  <servlet>
    <servlet-name>com.examples.MyApplication</servlet-name>
   <init-param>
     <param-name>jersey.config.wls.server.monitoring.enabled</param-name>
     <param-value>false</param-value>
   </init-param>
   <load-on-startup>1</load-on-startup>
  </servlet>
 <servlet-mapping>
   <servlet-name>com.examples.MyApplication</servlet-name>
   <url-pattern>/*</url-pattern>
  </servlet-mapping>
</web-app>
```



Disabling Monitoring for a RESTful Web Service Application Using WebLogic Configuration MBean

After you have deployed a RESTful web service application on WebLogic Server, you can disable monitoring of the application by using WLST, for example, to set the JaxRsMonitoringDefaultBehavior property to false on its WebAppComponentMBean:

webAppComponentMBean.setJaxRsMonitoringDefaultBehavior("false")

This is a per-application property that is internally used by Jersey/WebLogic integration code to determine the state of the default monitoring behavior in the JAX-RS application:

- If set to true, monitoring for the JAX-RS application is enabled.
- If set to false, monitoring for the JAX-RS application is disabled.
- If the property is not set, then the domain-level Web Application Container property WebAppContainerMBean.isJaxRsMonitoringDefaultBehavior()) is used as a fall-back.

Note:

The value of this application-specific property (if set) overrides the value of domainlevel configuration property.

By default the value is not explicitly set.

Disabling RESTful Web Service Application Monitoring for a WebLogic Domain

Application monitoring is enabled by default for all RESTful web service applications deployed to a WebLogic domain. It is possible to reverse this default behavior in a WebLogic domain and disable JAX-RS monitoring for all RESTful web service applications deployed in the domain (unless overridden by an application-specific configuration) by setting the JaxRsMonitoringDefaultBehavior property on WebAppContainerMBean to false:

WebAppContainerMBean.setJaxRsMonitoringDefaultBehavior("false")

This Web Application Container property is a domain-level property used by Jersey/WebLogic integration code to determine the behavior of monitoring in JAX-RS applications at the domain level:

- If set to true (or not set), then JAX-RS monitoring is enabled (if not overridden by properties set directly in an application). By default this property is not set explicitly and monitoring is enabled.
- If set to false, then monitoring for all JAX-RS applications is disabled by default for the given domain.



Note: You can override this domain-level setting in each JAX-RS application by setting similar properties, WebAppComponentMBean#isJaxRsMonitoringDefaultBehavior()), at the application level. See Disabling Monitoring for a RESTful Web Service Application Using WebLogic Configuration MBean.

You can update the WebAppContainerMBean.JaxRsMonitoringDefaultBehavior property for the domain using WLST commands before starting the domain, or before deploying any applications, as shown in Example 7-4.

Example 7-4 provides a sample WLST script that disables JAX-RS monitoring for the entire domain by default.

Example 7-4 Sample WLST Script for Disabling JAX-RS Monitoring at Domain Level

```
connect(<user>, <password>)
edit()
startEdit()
cd("WebAppContainer/<domain_name>/")
cmo.setJaxRsMonitoringDefaultBehavior(false)
activate()
```

Note:

You must restart the domain after you disable monitoring to ensure that all previously deployed applications are redeployed with the new setting.

[Example 7-5 shows a section of the resulting domain configuration document at *DOMAIN_NAME*/ config/config.xml after you have changed the jax-rs-monitoring-default-behavior setting to false.

Example 7-5 config.xml file with JAX-RS Monitoring Disabled at the Domain Level

Note:

Although it is possible to do so, Oracle does not recommend editing the config.xml file directly. See Domain Configuration Files in Understanding Domain Configuration for Oracle WebLogic Server.



Enable Monitoring of Synthetic Jersey Resources in a RESTful Web Service Application

When a RESTful web service application is deployed on WebLogic Server, the Jersey runtime (to satisfy JAX-RS specification requirements) introspects all the application resources and eventually extends the resource model of the application with additional synthetic resources and/or resource methods. For example, synthetic resources and resource methods are added to support:

- Resources exposing the WADL for the entire JAX-RS application, as well as a partial WADL for any deployed resource.
- OPTIONS method handlers for each resource or resource method of the JAX-RS application.
- HEAD method handlers for each resource or resource method of the JAX-RS application.

Depending on the application, it is possible that quite a lot of additional synthetic resources may get added to a deployed application. For performance reasons, WebLogic Server, by default, does not expose runtime MBeans for these extended synthetic resources and resource methods.

You can set this property programmatically in the JAX-RS application subclass code, or declaratively using Servlet init parameters specified in the web.xml as shown in the following examples.

For convenience, the property name is stored in the weblogic.jaxrs.server.WeblogicServerProperties.MONITORING_EXTENDED_ENABLED constant field.

Example 7-6 provides an example of how you can enable monitoring for synthetic resources programmatically in a JAX-RS application by extending the JAX-RS Application class.

Example 7-6 Enable Synthetic Monitoring Programmatically by Extending the JAX-RS Application Class

```
@ApplicationPath("/")
public class MyApplication extends Application {
    public Map<String, Object> getProperties() {
        final Map<String, Object> properties = new HashMap<>();
        // Expose MBeans for extended JAX-RS resources and resource methods
```

properties.put(weblogic.jaxrs.server.WeblogicServerProperties.MONITORING_EXTENDED_ENABLED
, true);

```
return properties;
}
```

Example 7-7 provides an example of how you can enable monitoring of synthetic resources programmatically in a JAX-RS/Jersey application by extending the JAX-RS Jersey ResourceConfig class.

Example 7-7 Enable Synthetic Monitoring Programmatically by Extending the Jersey ResourceConfig Class

```
@ApplicationPath("/")
public class MyApplication extends ResourceConfig {
```



```
public MyApplication() {
    // ...
    // Expose MBeans for extended JAX-RS resources and resource methods
    property(weblogic.jaxrs.server.WeblogicServerProperties.MONITORING_EXTENDED_ENABLED,
    true);
    }
    // ...
}
```

Example 7-8 provides an example of how you can enable monitoring of synthetic resources declaratively using Servlet init parameters specified in the web.xml.

Example 7-8 Enable Synthetic Monitoring Declaratively Using Servlet Init Parameters in web.xml

```
<?xml version="1.0" encoding="ISO-8859-1"?>
<web-app version="2.5"
        xmlns="http://xmlns.jcp.org/xml/ns/javaee"
        xmlns:xsi="http://www.w3.org/2001/XMLSchema-instance"
        xsi:schemaLocation="http://xmlns.jcp.org/xml/ns/javaee http://
xmlns.jcp.org/xml/ns/javaee/web-app 3 1.xsd">
   <servlet>
    <servlet-name>com.examples.MyApplication</servlet-name>
    . . .
   <init-param>
      <param-name>jersey.config.wls.server.monitoring.extended.enabled</param-name>
      <param-value>true</param-value>
   </init-param>
    . . .
    <load-on-startup>1</load-on-startup>
 </servlet>
 <servlet-mapping>
   <servlet-name>com.examples.MyApplication</servlet-name>
   <url-pattern>/*</url-pattern>
 </servlet-mapping>
</web-app>
```



Using Server-Sent Events in WebLogic Server

Oracle WebLogic Server supports server-sent events through the integration of the Jersey 2.x library. The Jersey 2.x library provides the Reference Implementation (RI) of JSR 370 JAX-RS. This chapter includes the following sections:

- Overview of Server-Sent Events (SSE)
- Using Server-Sent Events
 Server-sent events are used to push notifications asynchronously to the client over
 standard HTTP protocol.
- Understanding the WebLogic Server-Sent Events API
- Sample Applications for Server-Sent Events

Overview of Server-Sent Events (SSE)

Server-sent events enable servers to push data to web pages over standard HTTP or HTTPS through a unidirectional client-server connection. In the server-sent events communication model, the browser client establishes the initial connection, and the server provides the data and sends it to the client. For general information about server-sent events, see the Server-Sent Events W3C Candidate Recommendation.

Server-sent events are part of the HTML 5 specification, which also includes WebSocket technology. Both communication models enable servers to send data to clients unsolicited. However, server-sent events establish one-way communication from server to clients, while a WebSocket connection provides a bidirectional, full-duplex communication channel between servers and clients, promoting user interaction through two-way communication. The following key differences exist between WebSocket and server-sent events technologies:

- Server-sent events can only push data to the client, while WebSocket technology can both send and receive data from a client.
- The simpler server-sent events communication model is better suited for server-only updates, while WebSocket technology requires additional programming for server-only updates.
- Server-sent events are sent over standard HTTP and therefore do not require any special
 protocol or server implementation to work. WebSocket technology requires the server to
 understand the WebSocket protocol to successfully upgrade an HTTP connection to a
 WebSocket connection.

For more information about WebSocket technology, see Using the WebSocket Protocol in WebLogic Server in *Developing Applications for Oracle WebLogic Server*.

Using Server-Sent Events

Server-sent events are used to push notifications asynchronously to the client over standard HTTP protocol.

From JAX-RS 2.1, the server-sent event APIs are defined in the javax.ws.rs.sse package. This package includes the interfaces Sse, SseEventSink, SseEvent, SseBroadcaster, and SseEventSource for server-sent events.



The server-sent events server API is used to accept connections and send events to one or more clients. From the server side, an instance that implements the interface <code>SseEventSink</code> corresponds to a single client HTTP connection.

You can also configure the applications to send events to multiple clients simultaneously using the SseBroadcaster interface. The interface enables to send events to all registered event outputs.

From the client side, the interface SseEventSource is used to open a connection to the Web Target that is configured with a resource location. The clients must request the opening of a server-sent event connection using the media type text/event-stream in the Accept header. The established connection is persistent and can be re-used to send multiple events from the server.

Understanding the WebLogic Server-Sent Events API

WebLogic Server supports server-sent events through the integration of the Jersey 2.x. The use of server-sent events through Jersey 2.x is supported only in JAX-RS resources. From JAX-RS 2.1, the server-sent event APIs are defined in the javax.ws.rs.sse package. This package includes the interfaces Sse, SseEventSink, SseEvent, SseBroadcaster, and SseEventSource for server-sent events.

For more information about server-sent events in Jersey 2.x, see Server-Sent Events (SSE) Support in the Jersey 2.29 User Guide.

The WebLogic Server Server-Sent Events API is in the package

org.glassfish.jersey.media.sse. For information about the interfaces and classes included in this package, see the API documentation for javax.ws.rs.sse in the Jakarta EE 8 API Documentation.

Sample Applications for Server-Sent Events

Sample applications for server-sent events are available through the Jersey project. Refer to the following locations:

- https://github.com/eclipse-ee4j/jersey/tree/master/examples/server-sentevents-jaxrs
- https://github.com/eclipse-ee4j/jersey/tree/master/examples/sse-item-storejaxrs-webapp
- https://github.com/eclipse-ee4j/jersey/tree/master/examples/sse-twitteraggregator

