Web Services Description Language (WSDL) Version 1.2 Part 2: Message Patterns

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Abstract

This document describes Web Services Description Language (WSDL) Version 1.2 message patterns. These patterns are intended for use with the Web Services Description Language (WSDL).

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1. Introduction

Web Services Description Language (WSDL) message patterns define the sequence, direction, and cardinality of abstract messages sent or received by an operation.

By design, WSDL message patterns abstract out specific message types; placeholders for messages identified by the pattern are associated with specific message types by the operation using the pattern.

Unless explicitly stated otherwise, WSDL message patterns also abstract out binding-specific information like timing between messages, whether the pattern is synchronous or asynchronous, and whether the message are sent over a single or multiple channels.

This specification defines several message patterns for use with *WSDL Version 1.2 Part 1: Core Language* [*WSDL 1.2 Core Language [p.6]*].

1.1 Notational Conventions

The keywords "MUST", "MUST NOT", "REQUIRED", "SHALL", "SHALL NOT", "SHOULD", "SHOULD NOT", "RECOMMENDED", "MAY", and "OPTIONAL" in this document are to be interpreted as described in RFC 2119 [*IETF RFC 2119 [p.6]*].

2. Message Patterns

WSDL patterns are described in terms of the WSDL component model, specifically the message reference and fault reference components.

Editorial note: Pattern Review	5 March 2003
The working group plans to review the message patterns herein and eliminate those that are have not demonstrated to be useful (for example, supported by a binding with two interoperable implementations).	

2.1 In-Only

This pattern consists of exactly one message as follows:

- A message indicated by a message reference whose {name} is 'A' and {direction} is 'in'.

An operation using this message pattern has a {pattern} property with the value 'http://www.w3.org/2003/06/wsdl/in-only'.

2.2 In-Out

This pattern consists of exactly two messages, in order, as follows:

- A message indicated by a message reference whose {name} is 'A' and {direction} is 'in'.

- One of the following:

  - A message indicated by a message reference whose {name} is 'B' and {direction} is 'out', or

  - A message indicated by a fault reference whose {name} is 'C' and {direction} is 'out'.

An operation using this message pattern has a {pattern} property with the value 'http://www.w3.org/2003/06/wsdl/in-out'.

2.3 Request-Response

This pattern is identical to In-Out [p.4] with the following exception:

- Any message with {direction} 'out' is sent on the same channel as the message with {direction} 'in'.

An operation using this message pattern has a {pattern} property with the value 'http://www.w3.org/2003/06/wsdl/request-response'.

2.4 In-Multi-Out

This pattern consists of one or more messages, in order, as follows:

- A message indicated by a message reference whose {name} is 'A' and {direction} is 'in'.

- Zero or more messages indicated by a message reference whose {name} is 'B' and {direction} is 'out'.

- An optional message indicated by a fault reference whose {name} is 'C' and {direction} is 'out'.

An operation using this message pattern has a {pattern} property with the value 'http://www.w3.org/2003/06/wsdl/in-multi-out'.

2.5 Out-Only

This pattern consists of exactly one message as follows:

- A message indicated by a message reference whose {name} is 'A' and {direction} is 'out'.

An operation using this message pattern has a {pattern} property with the value 'http://www.w3.org/2003/06/wsdl/out-only'.

2.6 Out-In

This pattern consists of exactly two messages, in order, as follows:

- A message indicated by a message reference whose {name} is 'A' and {direction} is 'out'.

- One of the following:

  - A message indicated by a message reference whose {name} is 'B' and {direction} is 'in', or

  - A message indicated by a fault reference whose {name} is 'C' and {direction} is 'in'.

An operation using this message pattern has a {pattern} property with the value 'http://www.w3.org/2003/06/wsdl/out-in'.

2.7 Out-Multi-In

This pattern consists of one or more messages, in order, as follows:

- A message indicated by a message reference whose {name} is 'A' and {direction} is 'out'.

- Zero or more messages indicated by a message reference whose {name} is 'B' and {direction} is 'in'.

- An optional message indicated by a fault reference whose {name} is 'C' and {direction} is 'in'.

An operation using this message pattern has a {pattern} property with the value 'http://www.w3.org/2003/06/wsdl/out-multi-in'.

2.8 Multicast-Solicit-Response

This pattern consists of one or more messages, in sequence as follows:

- A message indicated by a message reference whose {name} is 'A' and {direction} is 'out',

- Zero or more messages, each of which is in one of the following sequences:

  - One or two messages, in sequence as follows:

    - A message indicated by a message reference whose {name} is 'B' and {direction} is 'in',

    - A message indicated by a fault reference whose {name} is 'D' and {direction} is 'out'.

  - A message indicated by a fault reference whose {name} is 'C' and {direction} is 'in'.

An operation using this message pattern has a {pattern} property with the value 'http://www.w3.org/2003/06/wsdl/multicast-solicit-response'.

3. References

3.1 Normative References

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