Exercise 4

Creating a JAX-WS Client using WSDL2Java

Prior Knowledge

Basic understanding of SOAP and WSDL

Objectives

Understand how to create Web Service Clients in Java

Software Requirements

- Java Development Kit 7
- Tomcat 7.0.33 or later
- Eclipse JEE workbench
- Apache CXF 2.7.0 or later
- Service running from Exercise 3

- 1. To make a change we are going to use a command-line tool to create a Web Service Client. Later you can also try the wizard in Eclipse.
- 2. Start up a command-line shell / Terminal
- 3. Set your environment: export CXF_HOME=~/servers/apache-cxf-2.7.7 export PATH=\$PATH:~/servers/apache-cxf-2.7.7/bin
- 4. Create a directory to store your generated code, e.g. ~/oxsoa/jaxwsclient
- 5. Start up your service implementation in Tomcat (if it isn't already running)

From the directory you want the code in, execute the following command:

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wsdl2java -ant -verbose -client -d . -fe jaxws21 \
http://localhost:8080/JAXWSSample/services/OrderService
ImplPort?wsdl
```

Put all on one line if you like (but note that the \ character indicates a line split, so remove those if you do!)

6. Check it builds. In the directory where the code is generated, there should be an Ant build.xml. Type **ant** in the command line. You should see something like:

```
>ant
Buildfile: /Users/paul/oxsoa/client/build.xml

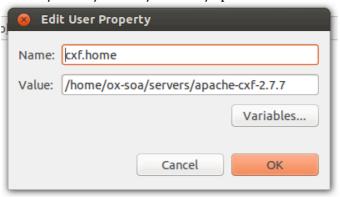
compile:
    [mkdir] Created dir: /Users/paul/oxsoa/client/build/classes
    [javac] /Users/paul/oxsoa/client/build.xml:110: warning:
'includeantruntime' was not set, defaulting to
build.sysclasspath=last; set to false for repeatable builds
    [javac] Compiling 14 source files to
/Users/paul/oxsoa/client/build/classe
build:
BUILD SUCCESSFUL
Total time: 3 seconds
```

- 7. Now let's import into Eclipse.
- 8. Start up Eclipse.

9. Go to Preferences, Ant, Runtime, Properties Tab, Add Property with the values:

Name: cxf.home

Value: /home/ox-soa/servers/apache-cxf-2.7.7



10. Now create a new project using New->Other->Java Project from Existing Ant Build File.

Browse to the build file in your generated code directory.

Give the project a decent name (e.g. JAXWSClient)

- 11. Take a look at the generated code.
- 12. Find the class named **OrderService_OrderServiceImplPort_Client** and run it.

Is the behaviour you are getting expected?

- 13. Edit the client to create at least one Order and correctly list all the orders.
- 14. Congratulations, you have succeeded (if you got this far!)
- 15. Extension: Do the same using the Eclipse wizards (hint: start with a Dynamic Web Project)