## Embedded Web Server

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### Introduction

This document describes the Embedded Web Server (EWS) in the form of a demonstration program.

EWS is intended for small, limited embedded systems (for example, ones with no file system).

It provides a program (ews\_generator) which converts a directory structure containing a set of web pages into an Ada data structure to be compiled with the EWS library and your application and served at run time.

As well as static web pages, EWS supports dynamic interactions, where the client makes a request and the server responds. This can be used to provide a complete new page, constructed on the fly by the server, or (more interestingly) in an AJAX style, where the server takes some action and the response is interpreted by JavaScript in the client.

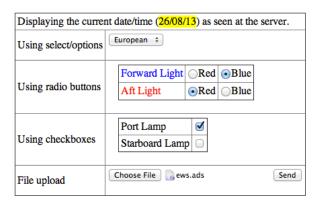


Figure 1.1: The dynamic part of the example page

Figure 1.1 shows the part of the example page which demonstrates AJAX-style interactions.

These interactions are supported by EWS's  ${\tt HttpInteraction.js}$ .

## Ada main program

This chapter describes the Ada main program and the GNAT Project used to build it.

#### 2.1 Ada code

```
The main program (EWS_Demo).
"ews_demo.adb" 2\equiv
  \langle Ada \ licence \ header \ 5b \rangle
  \langle \, \mathit{Main program standard context: Ada 3a} \, \rangle
  ⟨ Main program generated context: Ada 3b⟩
  procedure EWS_Demo is
      use EWS;
      \langle Specs \ of \ dynamic \ pages: \ Ada \ 8c, \dots \rangle
      \langle Global \ data: \ Ada \ 8e, \dots \rangle
      \langle Bodies \ of \ dynamic \ pages: \ Ada \ 8f, \dots \rangle
      Verbose : Boolean := False;
  begin
      begin
              case GNAT.Command_Line.Getopt ("v") is
                  when v, =>
                      Verbose := True;
                  when ASCII.NUL =>
                      exit;
                  when others =>
                      null; -- never taken
              end case;
          end loop;
      exception
```

```
when GNAT.Command_Line.Invalid_Switch =>
            Put_Line (Standard_Error,
                       "invalid switch -" & GNAT.Command_Line.Full_Switch);
            return:
     end;
     ⟨ Register dynamic pages: Ada 8d, ...⟩
     Put_Line ("Connect to ews_demo using e.g. http://localhost:8080");
     Server.Serve (Using_Port => 8080,
                     With_Stack => 40_000,
                     Tracing => Verbose);
     delay 1_000_000.0;
  end EWS_Demo;
Users: EWS_Demo in 4.
This is the context required for the main program, with the exception of that for the code generated from
the site file tree.
\langle Main \ program \ standard \ context: \ Ada \ 3a \rangle \equiv
  with Ada. Calendar;
 with Ada. Exceptions;
 with Ada.Strings.Fixed;
 with Ada.Strings.Maps.Constants;
 with Ada.Text_IO; use Ada.Text_IO;
 with EWS.Dynamic;
 with EWS.HTTP;
 with EWS.Server;
 with EWS. Types;
 with GNAT.Calendar.Time_IO;
 with GNAT.Command_Line;
Fragment referenced in 2.
This is the output of the program ews_generator, which converts a file tree into static Ada source code.
\langle Main \ program \ generated \ context: \ Ada \ 3b \rangle \equiv
 with EWS_Htdocs;
Fragment referenced in 2.
```

#### 2.2 GNAT Project

```
"ews_demo.gpr" 4\equiv
 with "../ews";
 with "xmlada";
 project EWS_Demo is
     for Main use ("ews_demo.adb");
    for Exec_Dir use ".";
    for Source_Dirs use (".");
    for Object_Dir use ".build";
    for Create_Missing_Dirs use "true";
    package Builder is
        for Default_Switches ("ada") use ("-g");
     end Builder;
    package Compiler is
        for Default_Switches ("ada") use
           "-02",
           "-gnatqQafoy"
          );
     end Compiler;
    package Binder is
        for Default_Switches ("ada") use ("-E");
     end Binder;
  end EWS_Demo;
Uses: EWS_Demo 2.
```

In HTML,

## Copyright and Licencing

EWS itself is licenced under the GPL version 3; the code that forms part of the run time (Ada and JavaScript) has the additional permissions granted by the GCC Runtime Library Exception version 3.1.

```
The demonstration code is released without restriction.
\langle Copyright 5a \rangle \equiv
  Copyright 2013-2022, Simon Wright <simon@pushface.org>
Fragment referenced in 5bc, 6.
In Ada,
\langle Ada \ licence \ header \ 5b \rangle \equiv
  -- \(\langle Copyright 5a \rangle \)
  -- This unit is free software; you can redistribute it and/or modify
  -- it as you wish. This unit is distributed in the hope that it will
  -- be useful, but WITHOUT ANY WARRANTY; without even the implied
  -- warranty of MERCHANTABILITY or FITNESS FOR A PARTICULAR PURPOSE.
Fragment referenced in 2.
In JavaScript,
\langle JavaScript\ licence\ header\ 5c \rangle \equiv
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   * This unit is free software; you can redistribute it and/or modify
   * it as you wish. This unit is distributed in the hope that it will
   * be useful, but WITHOUT ANY WARRANTY; without even the implied
   * warranty of MERCHANTABILITY or FITNESS FOR A PARTICULAR PURPOSE.
Fragment referenced in 28.
```

```
⟨HTML licence header 6⟩ ≡
  <!--
   ⟨Copyright 5a⟩

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   ◊
```

Fragment referenced in 26a.

## Cyclic updating and select/options

This part of the demonstration, shown in Figure 4.1, shows cyclic updating of a portion of the web page (the time, as seen at the server) and the ability to change the format of the display using the HTML 'select' and 'options'.

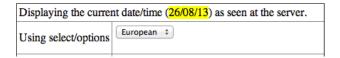


Figure 4.1: Displaying the current time, and controlling the format

```
⟨ Cyclic updating and select/options: HTML 7a⟩ ≡

⟨tr>
 ⟨ Display the current time: HTML 7b⟩

⟨/tr>
 ⟨ Change the time display format: HTML 9a⟩

⟨/tr>
 ⟨

⟨Fragment referenced in 27c.
```

#### 4.1 Displaying the current time

The HTML displays the current time in a span with id timeDisplay inside a two-column table data cell.

```
⟨ Display the current time: HTML 7b⟩ ≡

    Displaying the current date/time
    (<span id="timeDisplay" style="background:yellow">here</span>)
    as seen at the server.

    ♦

    Fragment referenced in 7a.

    Users: timeDisplay in 8a.
```

The corresponding JavaScript runs a CyclicHttpInteraction with a 1-second repetiton rate to the URL ajaxTime. The response is expected to be a text/plain string, which is pasted into the document at the element with id timeDisplay.

```
\langle Cyclic interactions: JavaScript 8a \rangle \equiv
  var timeRequest = new CyclicHttpInteraction
    ("ajaxTime",
     function (r) {
      document.getElementById("timeDisplay").innerHTML = r.responseText;
     },
     1000);
Fragment defined by 8a, 13b.
Fragment referenced in 28.
Users: timeRequest in 8b.
Uses: ajaxTime 8d, timeDisplay 7b.
The cyclic interaction needs to be started when the page is loaded.
⟨ Start getting cyclic data: JavaScript 8b ⟩ ≡
  timeRequest.start();
Fragment defined by 8b, 13c.
Fragment referenced in 28.
Uses: timeRequest 8a.
The Ada code which receives the cyclic ajaxTime request is in the function AJAX_Time.
\langle Specs \ of \ dynamic \ pages: \ Ada \ 8c \rangle \equiv
  function AJAX_Time
    (From_Request : HTTP.Request_P)
    return Dynamic.Dynamic_Response'Class;
Fragment defined by 8c, 14a, 18c, 22b, 24b.
Fragment referenced in 2.
Users: AJAX_Time in 8d.
The function is registered with the server, to be called to respond to the URL ajaxTime. We need to
use GNAT's implementation-defined attribute 'Unrestricted_Access because AJAX_Time isn't declared at
library level; this is unlikely to be a problem in a real program.
\langle Register \ dynamic \ pages: \ Ada \ 8d \rangle \equiv
  Dynamic.Register (AJAX_Time'Unrestricted_Access, "/ajaxTime");
Fragment defined by 8d, 14b, 18d, 22c, 24c.
Fragment referenced in 2.
Users: ajaxTime in 8a.
Uses: AJAX_Time 8cf.
AJAX_Time uses global data to store the time format that is required.
\langle Global \ data: \ Ada \ 8e \rangle \equiv
  type Date_Format is (ISO, US, European, Locale);
  Current_Date_Format : Date_Format := ISO;
Fragment defined by 8e, 12b, 16b.
Fragment referenced in 2.
Users: Current_Date_Format in 8f, 10, 22d, Date_Format in 10.
The implementation of AJAX_Time returns the current date/time as plain text in the format selected in
Current_Date_Format.
\langle Bodies \ of \ dynamic \ pages: \ Ada \ 8f \rangle \equiv
  function AJAX_Time
    (From_Request : HTTP.Request_P) return Dynamic.Dynamic_Response'Class is
     Result : Dynamic_Response (From_Request);
     function Format return GNAT.Calendar.Time_IO.Picture_String;
     function Format return GNAT.Calendar.Time_IO.Picture_String is
     begin
         case Current_Date_Format is
```

```
when ISO => return GNAT.Calendar.Time_IO.ISO_Date;
           when US => return GNAT.Calendar.Time_IO.US_Date;
           when European => return GNAT.Calendar.Time_IO.European_Date;
           when Locale => return "%c";
        end case;
     end Format;
  begin
     Result.Set_Content_Type (To => Types.Plain);
     Result.Set_Content
       (GNAT.Calendar.Time_IO.Image (Ada.Calendar.Clock, Format));
     return Result;
  end AJAX_Time;
Fragment defined by 8f, 14c, 18e, 22d, 24d.
Fragment referenced in 2.
Users: AJAX_Time in 8d.
Uses: Current_Date_Format 8e.
```

#### 4.2 Changing the time display format

The choice of time format is implemented in HTML in a table data cell containing a form fTimeFormat containing a drop-down list, with the value associated with each option being that of the corresponding value of the Ada Date\_Format (this makes it easy for the Ada code to determine which value has been sent, using Date\_Format'Value).

```
\langle Change the time display format: HTML 9a \rangle \equiv
    Using select/options
  <form method="POST" name="fTimeFormat" id="fTimeFormat">
      <select name="format">
        <option value="iso" selected="true">ISO</option>
        <option value="us">US</option>
        <option value="european">European</option>
        <option value="locale">Local</option>
      </select>
    </form>
  \Diamond
Fragment referenced in 7a.
Users: fTimeFormat in 9b, 21.
```

The form fTimeFormat nominally POSTs the request, but this is overridden using postChange. The selected option is sent as a query in the form timeformat=iso, timeFormat=us etc.

In AJAX\_Change, check whether it has been called to change the time format; a query foo=bar can be retrieved from the Request as the property "foo" with value "bar" (if the property isn't present in the request, the empty string is returned).

## Radio buttons

Note, with radio buttons the value identifies which radio button has been pressed, and does not change; it's the checked field which changes, and only one can be true at a time.



Figure 5.1: Using radio buttons

Figure 5.1 shows the part of the example that relates to radio buttons. There are two lights, Forward and Aft, each of which can show Red or Blue. The HTML is implemented in a form with

```
\langle Radio \ buttons: \ HTML \ 11 \rangle \equiv
 Using radio buttons
   <form method="PUT" name="lights" id="lights">
      Forward Light
         <input
            type="radio"
            name="forward"
            value="red"
            checked="true">Red</input>
         <input
            type="radio"
            name="forward"
            value="blue">Blue</input>
         Aft Light
```

```
<input
                   type="radio"
                   name="aft"
                   value="red"
                   checked="true">Red</input>
             <input
                   type="radio"
                   name="aft"
                   value="blue">Blue</input>
             </form>
    \Diamond
Fragment referenced in 27c.
Users: aft-light in 13ab, 14c, 21, 22d, forward-light in 13ab, 14c, 21, 22d, lights in 14c, 21.
The radio button scripts have to be set up when the page is loaded.
\langle Set \ up \ the \ radio \ buttons: \ JavaScript \ 12a \rangle \equiv
  ⟨ "Set up radio buttons" utility: JavaScript (document.lights.forward, "forward-light") 25 ⟩
  ("Set up radio buttons" utility: JavaScript (document.lights.aft, "aft-light") 25)
Fragment referenced in 28.
The Ada code which receives the forward- and backward-light property changes updates global data.
\langle Global \ data: \ Ada \ 12b \rangle \equiv
  type Light_State is (Red, Blue);
  Forward_Light : Light_State := Red;
  Aft_Light : Light_State := Red;
Fragment defined by 8e, 12b, 16b.
Fragment referenced in 2.
Users: Aft_Light in 13a, 14c, 22d, Forward_Light in 13a, 14c, 22d, Light_State in 13a.
```

```
\langle Checks for changed properties: Ada 13a \rangle \equiv
  declare
     Property : constant String
       := EWS.HTTP.Get_Property ("forward-light", From_Request.all);
  begin
     if Property /= "" then
        Put_Line ("saw forward-light=" & Property);
        Forward_Light := Light_State'Value (Property);
     end if;
  end;
  declare
     Property : constant String
       := EWS.HTTP.Get_Property ("aft-light", From_Request.all);
  begin
     if Property /= "" then
        Put_Line ("saw aft-light=" & Property);
        Aft_Light := Light_State', Value (Property);
     end if;
  end:
Fragment defined by 10, 13a, 16c.
Fragment referenced in 24d.
Uses: Aft_Light 12b, Forward_Light 12b, Light_State 12b, aft-light 11, forward-light 11.
Because the server can be accessed by more than one web client, and all the other clients need to show changes,
the current light state is retrieved every second via a CyclicHttpInteraction to the URL lightState.xml.
The response is expected to be XML:
dights>
  <forward-light>lmp</forward-light>
  <aft-light>lmp</aft-light>
</lights>
where lmp specifies a colour (will be red or blue).
\langle Cyclic interactions: JavaScript 13b \rangle \equiv
  var lightStateRequest = new CyclicHttpInteraction
    ("lightState.xml",
     function (r) {
       var xml = r.responseXML;
       document.getElementById("forward-light").style.color =
         xml.getElementsByTagName("forward-light")[0].firstChild.nodeValue;
       document.getElementById("aft-light").style.color =
         xml.getElementsByTagName("aft-light")[0].firstChild.nodeValue;
     },
     1000);
Fragment defined by 8a, 13b.
Fragment referenced in 28.
Users: lightStateRequest in 13c.
Uses: aft-light 11, forward-light 11, lightState.xml 14b.
The cyclic interaction needs to be started when the page is loaded.
\langle Start \ getting \ cyclic \ data: \ JavaScript \ 13c \rangle \equiv
  lightStateRequest.start();
Fragment defined by 8b, 13c.
Fragment referenced in 28.
Uses: lightStateRequest 13b.
The Ada code which receives the cyclic lightState.xml request is in the function AJAX_Light_State.
```

```
\langle Specs \ of \ dynamic \ pages: \ Ada \ 14a \rangle \equiv
  function AJAX_Light_State
    (From_Request : HTTP.Request_P)
    return Dynamic.Dynamic_Response'Class;
Fragment defined by 8c, 14a, 18c, 22b, 24b.
Fragment referenced in 2.
Users: AJAX_Light_State in 14b.
The function is registered with the server, to be called to respond to the URL lightState.xml.
\langle Register \ dynamic \ pages: Ada \ 14b \rangle \equiv
  Dynamic.Register (AJAX_Light_State', Unrestricted_Access, "/lightState.xml");
Fragment defined by 8d, 14b, 18d, 22c, 24c.
Fragment referenced in 2.
Users: lightState.xml in 13b.
Uses: AJAX_Light_State 14ac.
\langle Bodies \ of \ dynamic \ pages: \ Ada \ 14c \rangle \equiv
  function AJAX_Light_State
    (From_Request : HTTP.Request_P)
    return Dynamic_Response'Class is
     Result : Dynamic_Response (From_Request);
  begin
     Result.Set_Content_Type (To => Types.XML);
     Result.Append ("<lights>");
     Result.Append_Element
        ("forward-light",
         Ada.Strings.Fixed.Translate
           (Forward_Light'Image,
            Ada.Strings.Maps.Constants.Lower_Case_Map));
     Result.Append_Element
        ("aft-light",
         Ada.Strings.Fixed.Translate
           (Aft_Light'Image,
            Ada.Strings.Maps.Constants.Lower_Case_Map));
     Result.Append ("</lights>");
     return Result;
  end AJAX_Light_State;
Fragment defined by 8f, 14c, 18e, 22d, 24d.
Fragment referenced in 2.
Users: AJAX_Light_State in 14b.
Uses: Aft_Light 12b, Forward_Light 12b, aft-light 11, forward-light 11, lights 11.
```

## Checkboxes

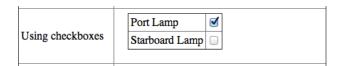


Figure 6.1: Using checkboxes

Figure 6.1 shows the part of the example that relates to checkboxes. There are two Lamps, Port and Starboard, which are separately switched.

```
\langle Checkboxes: HTML 15 \rangle \equiv
 Using checkboxes
   <form method="PUT" name="lamps" id="lamps">
      Port Lamp
         <input
            type="checkbox"
            name="lamp"
            value="port"/>
         Starboard Lamp
         <input
            type="checkbox"
            name="lamp"
            value="starboard"/>
         </form>
```

```
♦Fragment referenced in 27c.Users: lamp in 16ac, 21, 22d, lamps in 16a, 21.
```

The onclick action is a function whose source is, for example,

```
postChange.start('lamp=0&value=port&checked='+document.lamps.lamp[0].checked);
```

Note that this sends the clicked checkbox's index (document.lamps.lamp[0] is the first) as well as the value (corresponding to the internal name of the box); the receiving Ada code presently uses the index, though it would obviously be better to use the value.

```
\langle Set \ up \ the \ checkboxes: \ JavaScript \ 16a \rangle \equiv
  for (var c = document.lamps.lamp, i = 0; i < c.length; i++) {</pre>
    c[i].onclick = new Function(
       "postChange.start('lamp=" + i
        + "&value=" + document.lamps.lamp[i].value
        + "&checked=' + document.lamps.lamp[" + i + "].checked);"
    );
  }
Fragment referenced in 28.
Uses: lamp 15, lamps 15, postChange 24a.
The Ada code which receives the lamp property changes updates global data.
\langle Global \ data: Ada \ 16b \rangle \equiv
  Lamps : array (0 .. 1) of Boolean := (others => True);
Fragment defined by 8e, 12b, 16b.
Fragment referenced in 2.
Users: Lamps in 16c, 22d.
\langle Checks for changed properties: Ada 16c \rangle \equiv
     Lamp : constant String
        := EWS.HTTP.Get_Property ("lamp", From_Request.all);
  begin
     if Lamp /= "" then
         declare
            Checked: constant String
              := EWS.HTTP.Get_Property ("checked", From_Request.all);
            Value : constant String
              := EWS.HTTP.Get_Property ("value", From_Request.all);
        begin
            Put_Line ("saw lamp=" & Lamp
                       & " value=" & Value
                       & " checked=" & Checked);
            Lamps (Natural'Value (Lamp)) := Boolean'Value (Checked);
         end;
     end if;
  end;
Fragment defined by 10, 13a, 16c.
Fragment referenced in 24d.
Uses: Lamps 16b, lamp 15.
```

## File upload

Figure 7.1 shows the file upload dialog. Figure 7.2 shows the alert box displayed when the upload is complete.



Figure 7.1: The file upload dialog

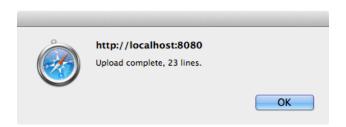


Figure 7.2: Upload completed

The file upload dialog is in a form, in a table cell. The form contains two elements: a file selector (datafile) and a submit button.

When the form is submitted, the content of the selected file is sent as a multipart attachment to the URL /fileInput (the form's action).

The other components of this example program use explicit JavaScript methods to send the data to the server. In the case of a file upload, the protocol is complex enough that it's best left to the browser. When the browser has submitted the request, it expects to get a new page in response; we don't want that, so we use the form's target attribute to direct the response to an invisible frame iFrame so that the current page remains displayed.

```
\langle File\ upload:\ HTML\ 18a \rangle \equiv
  File upload
    <+4>
      <form method="POST"
             enctype="multipart/form-data"
             name="fileInput"
             action="fileInput"
             target="iFrame">
         <input type="file" name="datafile" size="128">
         <input type="submit" name="send" value="Send">
      </form>
    Fragment referenced in 27c.
Uses: fileInput 18d, iFrame 18b.
\langle File\ upload's target iFrame: HTML 18b\rangle \equiv
  <iframe name="iFrame" id="iFrame" src="about:blank" width="0" height="0">
  </iframe>
Fragment referenced in 27c.
Users: iFrame in 18a.
The Ada code which receives the fileInput request is in the function File_Input.
\langle Specs \ of \ dynamic \ pages: \ Ada \ 18c \rangle \equiv
  function File_Input
    (From_Request : HTTP.Request_P)
    return Dynamic_Response'Class;
Fragment defined by 8c, 14a, 18c, 22b, 24b.
Fragment referenced in 2.
Users: File_Input in 18d.
The function is registered with the server, to be called to respond to the URL fileInput.
\langle Register\ dynamic\ pages:\ Ada\ 18d \rangle \equiv
  Dynamic.Register (File_Input'Unrestricted_Access, "/fileInput");
Fragment defined by 8d, 14b, 18d, 22c, 24c.
Fragment referenced in 2.
Users: fileInput in 18ae.
Uses: File_Input 18ce.
The response generated is a page containing an alert box (7.2), which is displayed even though the iFrame
swallows the HTML content.
\langle Bodies \ of \ dynamic \ pages: \ Ada \ 18e \rangle \equiv
  function File_Input
    (From_Request : HTTP.Request_P) return Dynamic.Dynamic_Response'Class is
     ⟨Upload_Result, calculates file input result: Ada 19, ...⟩
     C : HTTP.Cursor;
     Lines : Natural := 0;
     Line: String (1 .. 1024);
     Last : Natural;
     Attachments : constant HTTP.Attachments
       := HTTP.Get_Attachments (From_Request.all);
     Content: constant HTTP.Contents
       := HTTP.Get_Content (From => Attachments);
  begin
```

```
Put_Line ("saw fileInput with attachment length"
                & Content'Length'Image);
     if Content'Length /= 0 then
        begin
            case HTTP.Get_Content_Kind (Content) is
               when HTTP.Text =>
                  HTTP.Open (C, Content);
                  while not HTTP.End_Of_File (C) loop
                     Lines := Lines + 1;
                     Put (Lines'Image & ": ");
                     HTTP.Get_Line (C, Line, Last);
                     Put_Line (Line (Line'First .. Last));
                  end loop;
                  HTTP.Close (C);
                  return Upload_Result
                    ("Upload complete," & Lines'Image & " lines.");
               when others =>
                  return Upload_Result
                    ("Upload complete," & Content'Length'Image & " bytes.");
            end case;
        exception
           when E : others =>
               begin
                  HTTP.Close (C);
               exception
                  when others => null;
               end;
               return Upload_Result
                 ("Upload failed: " & Ada.Exceptions.Exception_Message (E));
        end;
     else
        return Upload_Result ("Upload complete, zero bytes.");
  end File_Input;
Fragment defined by 8f, 14c, 18e, 22d, 24d.
Fragment referenced in 2.
Users: File_Input in 18d.
Uses: Upload_Result 19, 20, fileInput 18d.
\langle \text{Upload\_Result}, \ calculates \ file \ input \ result: \ Ada \ 19 \rangle \equiv
  function Upload_Result (Message : String)
    return Dynamic_Response'Class;
Fragment defined by 19, 20.
Fragment referenced in 18e.
Users: Upload_Result in 18e.
```

If the Message to be returned contains multiple lines, they have to be translated to the  $\n$  that the JavaScript alert() function expects.

```
\langle \text{Upload\_Result}, \ calculates \ file \ input \ result: \ Ada \ 20 \ \rangle \equiv
  function Upload_Result (Message : String)
    return Dynamic_Response'Class is
     Result : Dynamic_Response (From_Request);
  begin
     Result.Set_Content_Type (To => Types.HTML);
     Result.Append ("<body onload=""alert(',");</pre>
     for C in Message'Range loop
        case Message (C) is
            when ASCII.CR | ASCII.NUL => null;
            when ASCII.LF => Result.Append ("\n");
            when others =>
               Result.Append (String'(1 => Message (C)));
        end case;
     end loop;
     Result.Append ("')"">");
     return Result;
  end Upload_Result;
Fragment defined by 19, 20.
Fragment referenced in 18e.
Users: Upload_Result in 18e.
```

## Retrieving the initial state

When a new client connects to the server, it must retrieve the current state and set the page elements accordingly.

The server responds to the URL state.xml with the current state in XML format,

```
<state>
  <time-format>fmt</time-format>
  <forward-light>lmp</forward-light>
  <aft-light>lmp</aft-light>
  <lamp>bool</lamp>
  <lamp>bool</lamp>
</state>
where
fmt can be iso, us, european or locale,
lmp can be red or blue, and
bool can be false or true.
and the first lamp element is for the starboard lamp and the second is for the port lamp.
\langle Retrieving the initial state: JavaScript 21 \rangle \equiv
 var stateRequest = new OneshotHttpInteraction
    ("state.xml",
    null,
    function (r) {
       var x = r.responseXML;
       var value = x.getElementsByTagName("time-format")[0].firstChild.nodeValue;
       for (var o = document.fTimeFormat.format.options, i = 0;
            i < o.length;</pre>
            i++) {
         o[i].selected = (o[i].value == value);
       value = x.getElementsByTagName("forward-light")[0].firstChild.nodeValue;
       for (var o = document.lights.forward, i = 0;
            i < o.length;
            i++) {
         o[i].checked = (o[i].value == value);
       value = x.getElementsByTagName("aft-light")[0].firstChild.nodeValue;
       for (var o = document.lights.aft, i = 0;
```

```
i < o.length;
             i++) {
          o[i].checked = (o[i].value == value);
        var lamps = x.getElementsByTagName("lamp");
        for (var c = document.lamps.lamp, i = 0; i < c.length; i++) {
          c[i].checked = lamps[i].firstChild.nodeValue == "true";
        }
     });
  \Diamond
Fragment referenced in 28.
Users: stateRequest in 22a.
Uses: aft-light 11, fTimeFormat 9a, forward-light 11, lamp 15, lamps 15, lights 11, state.xml 22c.
When the page is opened, request the initial state.
\langle Request \ the \ initial \ state: \ JavaScript \ 22a \rangle \equiv
  stateRequest.start();
Fragment referenced in 28.
Uses: stateRequest 21.
The Ada code which receives the state.xml request is in the function AJAX_Status.
\langle Specs \ of \ dynamic \ pages: \ Ada \ 22b \rangle \equiv
  function AJAX_Status
    (From_Request : HTTP.Request_P)
    return Dynamic_Dynamic_Response'Class;
Fragment defined by 8c, 14a, 18c, 22b, 24b.
Fragment referenced in 2.
Users: AJAX_Status in 22c.
The function is registered with the server, to be called to respond to the URL state.xml.
\langle Register \ dynamic \ pages: Ada \ 22c \rangle \equiv
  Dynamic.Register (AJAX_Status'Unrestricted_Access, "/state.xml");
Fragment defined by 8d, 14b, 18d, 22c, 24c.
Fragment referenced in 2.
Users: state.xml in 21.
Uses: AJAX_Status 22bd.
\langle Bodies \ of \ dynamic \ pages: \ Ada \ 22d \rangle \equiv
  function AJAX_Status
    (From_Request : HTTP.Request_P)
    return Dynamic_Response'Class is
     Result : Dynamic_Response (From_Request);
  begin
     Result.Set_Content_Type (To => Types.XML);
     Result.Append ("<state>");
     Result.Append_Element
        ("time-format",
         Ada.Strings.Fixed.Translate
           (Current_Date_Format'Image,
            Ada.Strings.Maps.Constants.Lower_Case_Map));
     Result.Append_Element
        ("forward-light",
         Ada.Strings.Fixed.Translate
           (Forward_Light'Image,
            Ada.Strings.Maps.Constants.Lower_Case_Map));
     {\tt Result.Append\_Element}
        ("aft-light",
```

```
Ada.Strings.Fixed.Translate
           (Aft_Light'Image,
           Ada.Strings.Maps.Constants.Lower_Case_Map));
     for L in Lamps'Range loop
        Result.Append_Element
          ("lamp",
           Ada.Strings.Fixed.Translate
              (Lamps (L)'Image,
               Ada.Strings.Maps.Constants.Lower_Case_Map));
     end loop;
     Result.Append ("</state>");
     return Result;
  end AJAX_Status;
Fragment defined by 8f, 14c, 18e, 22d, 24d.
Fragment referenced in 2.
Users: AJAX_Status in 22c.
Uses: Aft_Light 12b, Current_Date_Format 8e, Forward_Light 12b, Lamps 16b, aft-light 11, forward-light 11, lamp 15.
```

#### **Utilities**

#### 9.1 Notifying the server of changes

postChange is a one-shot interaction; it sends a request to the URL ajaxChange. If postChange.start() is called with a parameter (for example, "foo=bar", the parameter is sent to the URL as a query. No specific response is expected.

```
\langle Generalised \ change \ action \ request: \ JavaScript \ 24a \rangle \equiv
  var postChange = new OneshotHttpInteraction
     ("ajaxChange",
     null,
     function (r) { });
Fragment referenced in 28.
Users: postChange in 9b, 16a, 25.
Uses: ajaxChange 24c.
The Ada code which receives the ajaxChange request is in the function Ajax_Change.
\langle Specs \ of \ dynamic \ pages: \ Ada \ 24b \rangle \equiv
  function AJAX_Change
    (From_Request : HTTP.Request_P)
    return Dynamic_Dynamic_Response'Class;
Fragment defined by 8c, 14a, 18c, 22b, 24b.
Fragment referenced in 2.
Users: AJAX_Change in 24c.
The function is registered with the server, to be called to respond to the URL ajaxChange.
\langle Register \ dynamic \ pages: Ada \ 24c \rangle \equiv
  Dynamic.Register (AJAX_Change'Unrestricted_Access, "/ajaxChange");
Fragment defined by 8d, 14b, 18d, 22c, 24c.
Fragment referenced in 2.
Users: ajaxChange in 24a.
Uses: AJAX_Change 24bd.
\langle Bodies \ of \ dynamic \ pages: \ Ada \ 24d \rangle \equiv
  function AJAX_Change
     (From_Request : HTTP.Request_P)
    return Dynamic_Response'Class is
     Result : Dynamic_Response (From_Request);
     Put_Line ("AJAX_Change called.");
```

```
⟨ Checks for changed properties: Ada 10, ...⟩

Result.Set_Content_Type (To => Types.Plain);

Result.Set_Content ("OK");

return Result;
end AJAX_Change;

♦

Fragment defined by 8f, 14c, 18e, 22d, 24d.

Fragment referenced in 2.

Users: AJAX_Change in 24c.
```

#### 9.2 Set up radio buttons

Set up radio buttons utility is a nuweb parameterised fragment. There's no indication in a parameterised fragment's name that it is parameterised; when invoked with parameters, occurrences of @n are replaced by the n'th parameter.

The first parameter (Q1) is the name of the buttons to be set up (they all have the same name): e.g. document.formName.buttonName.

The second parameter (@2) is the property name that is passed to postChange.

When one of the buttons is clicked, a one-shot ajaxChange interaction is invoked, posting the query property=value where property is the name passed in the second parameter and value is the value attribute of the button.

```
⟨ "Set up radio buttons" utility: JavaScript 25⟩ ≡
for (var j = 0; j < @1.length; j++) {
    @1[j].onclick = new Function(
        "postChange.start('" + @2 + "=" + @1[j].value + "');");
    };
    ♦
Fragment referenced in 12a.
Uses: postChange 24a.</pre>
```

## HTML pages

```
"ajax.html" 26a \equiv
  \langle HTML licence header 6 \rangle
  <html>
  <head>
  ⟨ HTML header 26b ⟩
  </head>
  <body bgcolor="white">
  ⟨ Page heading 27a ⟩
  ⟨ Introductory material 27b⟩
  <hr>
  ⟨ The demonstrations 27c ⟩
  ⟨ Author link 27d ⟩
  </body>
  </html>
\langle HTML \ header \ 26b \rangle \equiv
  <title>EWS: AJAX demonstration</title>
  <!-- NB,for Internet Explorer you mustn't use the empty-element
       syntax. For Safari, you have to close the element. -->
  <script type="text/javascript"src="HttpInteraction.js"></script>
  <script type="text/javascript"src="ajax.js"></script>
  <style type="text/css">
    div#demos table { margin : 0.2em 1em;
                        font-size : 100%;
                        border-collapse : collapse; }
    div#demos th,td { padding : 0.2em; }
  </style>
Fragment referenced in 26a.
```

```
\langle Page \ heading \ 27a \rangle \equiv
  <h1>Embedded Web Server: AJAX demonstration</h1>
  <a href="https://github.com">
  src="GitHub_Logo.png"
  width="88" height="31" border="0" alt="Github Logo" />
  </a>
  \Diamond
Fragment referenced in 26a.
\langle Introductory material 27b \rangle \equiv
  EWS is a web server construction kit, designed for embedded
  applications using the GNAT Ada compiler.
  The project is hosted on <a
 href="https://github.com/simonjwright/ews">Github</a>.
  EWS comes with a demonstration of its facilities. The available
  facilities are described in <a href="ews.pdf">this document</a>, which
  also acts as the source code for the demonstration using the {\mbox{\scriptsize <}} a
 href="http://www.literateprogramming.com/">Literate Programming</a>
  facilities of <a
 href="https://github.com/simonjwright/nuweb.py">nuweb.py</a>.
Fragment referenced in 26a.
\langle The \ demonstrations \ 27c \rangle \equiv
  Below are demonstrations of
  various <a href="http://www.amazon.co.uk/exec/obidos/ASIN/0471777781/qid%3D1146719450/203-6928631-0011916">AJAX</a>
  technologies:
  <div id="demos" align="center">
    ⟨ Cyclic updating and select/options: HTML 7a⟩
      ⟨ Radio buttons: HTML 11 ⟩
      ⟨ Checkboxes: HTML 15 ⟩
      ⟨ File upload: HTML 18a⟩
    </div>
  ⟨ File upload's target iFrame: HTML 18b⟩
Fragment referenced in 26a.
\langle Author \ link \ 27d \rangle \equiv
  <hr>
  <i>>
  <address>
  <a href="mailto:simon@pushface.org">Simon Wright</a>
  </address>
  </i>
```

Fragment referenced in 26a.

## JavaScript

This script, loaded by ajax.html, relies on the utility HttpInteraction.js having been already loaded by the page.

```
"ajax.js" 28≡

⟨JavaScript licence header 5c⟩

⟨Retrieving the initial state: JavaScript 21⟩

⟨Cyclic interactions: JavaScript 8a, ...⟩

⟨Generalised change action request: JavaScript 24a⟩

/**

* Assign event handlers and begin fetching.

*/

window.onload = function () {

⟨Request the initial state: JavaScript 22a⟩

⟨Start getting cyclic data: JavaScript 8b, ...⟩

⟨Set up to send time format: JavaScript 9b⟩

⟨Set up the radio buttons: JavaScript 12a⟩

⟨Set up the checkboxes: JavaScript 16a⟩
};
```

## Appendix A

## About this document

This document is prepared using nuweb, a language-agnostic Literate Programming tool. The actual variant used is nuweb.py.

### Appendix B

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#### B.1 Files

```
"ajax.html" Defined by 26a.
"ajax.js" Defined by 28.
"ews_demo.adb" Defined by 2.
"ews_demo.gpr" Defined by 4.
```

#### B.2 Macros

```
("Set up radio buttons" utility: JavaScript 25) Referenced in 12a.
(Ada licence header 5b) Referenced in 2.
(Author link 27d) Referenced in 26a.
Bodies of dynamic pages: Ada 8f, 14c, 18e, 22d, 24d Referenced in 2.
Change the time display format: HTML 9a Referenced in 7a.
(Checkboxes: HTML 15) Referenced in 27c.
(Checks for changed properties: Ada 10, 13a, 16c) Referenced in 24d.
(Copyright 5a) Referenced in 5bc, 6.
(Cyclic interactions: JavaScript 8a, 13b) Referenced in 28.
(Cyclic updating and select/options: HTML 7a) Referenced in 27c.
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(File upload's target iFrame: HTML 18b) Referenced in 27c.
(File upload: HTML 18a) Referenced in 27c.
(Generalised change action request: JavaScript 24a) Referenced in 28.
(Global data: Ada 8e, 12b, 16b) Referenced in 2.
(HTML header 26b) Referenced in 26a.
(HTML licence header 6) Referenced in 26a.
(Introductory material 27b) Referenced in 26a.
(JavaScript licence header 5c) Referenced in 28.
(Main program generated context: Ada 3b) Referenced in 2.
(Main program standard context: Ada 3a) Referenced in 2.
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(Radio buttons: HTML 11) Referenced in 27c.
(Register dynamic pages: Ada 8d, 14b, 18d, 22c, 24c) Referenced in 2.
(Request the initial state: JavaScript 22a) Referenced in 28.
(Retrieving the initial state: JavaScript 21) Referenced in 28.
(Set up the checkboxes: JavaScript 16a) Referenced in 28.
(Set up the radio buttons: JavaScript 12a) Referenced in 28.
(Set up to send time format: JavaScript 9b) Referenced in 28.
(Specs of dynamic pages: Ada 8c, 14a, 18c, 22b, 24b) Referenced in 2.
(Start getting cyclic data: JavaScript 8b, 13c) Referenced in 28.
```

```
⟨The demonstrations 27c⟩ Referenced in 26a. ⟨Upload_Result, calculates file input result: Ada 19, 20⟩ Referenced in 18e.
```

#### B.3 Definitions

```
AJAX_Change: defined in 24bd, used in 24c.
AJAX_Light_State: defined in 14ac, used in 14b.
AJAX_Status: defined in 22bd, used in 22c.
AJAX_Time: defined in 8cf, used in 8d.
Aft_Light: defined in 12b, used in 13a, 14c, 22d.
Current_Date_Format: defined in 8e, used in 8f, 10, 22d.
Date_Format: defined in 8e, used in 10.
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File_Input: defined in 18ce, used in 18d.
Forward_Light: defined in 12b, used in 13a, 14c, 22d.
Lamps: defined in 16b, used in 16c, 22d.
Light_State: defined in 12b, used in 13a.
Upload_Result: defined in 19, 20, used in 18e.
aft-light: defined in 11, used in 13ab, 14c, 21, 22d.
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ajaxTime: defined in 8d, used in 8a.
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fileInput: defined in 18d, used in 18ae.
forward-light: defined in 11, used in 13ab, 14c, 21, 22d.
iFrame: defined in 18b, used in 18a.
lamp: defined in 15, used in 16ac, 21, 22d.
lamps: defined in 15, used in 16a, 21.
lightState.xml: defined in 14b, used in 13b.
lightStateRequest: defined in 13b, used in 13c.
lights: defined in 11, used in 14c, 21.
postChange: defined in 24a, used in 9b, 16a, 25.
state.xml: defined in 22c, used in 21.
stateRequest: defined in 21, used in 22a.
timeDisplay: defined in 7b, used in 8a.
timeRequest: defined in 8a, used in 8b.
```