#### Exercise 2

# WCF - basics - defining services and clients, synchronous and asynchronous operations

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## 1 Objectives of the exercise

The purpose of the exercise is:

- 1. Getting to know the basic architecture of WCF applications
- 2. Getting acquainted with the basics of creating a service with a WSDL description and available via the SOAP protocol (here: WCF services), and the client of such a service (here: WCF client).
- 3. Understanding options for configuring services endpoints, transport, how the service works.
- The first part of the taskis to be performed according to the given instructions and any instructions of the laboratory teacher.
- The second part of the task is to be prepared and handed over or to be performed according to instructor's instructions in the next class.

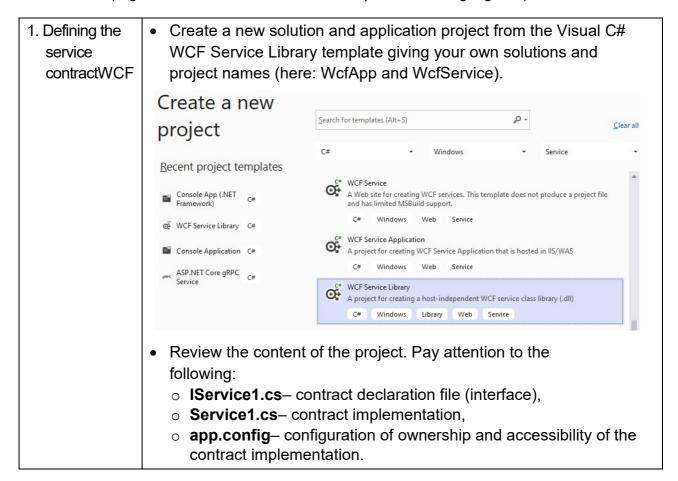
# 2 Task - part I Construction of a basic WCF application

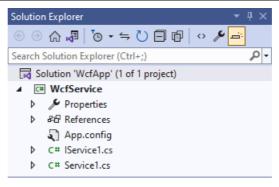
In the task, a solution will be implemented that includes: a) a service run as a separate application and b) a client using this service. The service and the client will be implemented in the Visual Studio tool (hereinafter abbreviated as VS) as a WCF service. The task of implementing a basic WCF client-server application consists of several steps:

- 1. Define the service contract.
- 2. Implementation of the service contract (service implementation).
- 3. Create a service hosting application
  - here: it is a console application the so-called self-hosted service.
- 4. Client application implementation (including proxy client).
- 5. Expansion of the service and client for asynchronous operations.

**ATTENTION**: changes (e.g. class names, etc.) in the code automatically generated by the platform are best implemented through the refactoring option of the platform

 Usually the Refactor option in the context menu or the corresponding option in the menu contextual(e.g. Rename - when the Refactor option is not highlighted).





**Attention**: file names may change after renaming the interface or class from the default (as in the picture above) to your own name. This behavior is configurable (can be turned off).

- Open the IService1.cs file and define the service contract interface
   iCalculatorcontaining Add, and Multiply methods:
  - o Remove unused code.

```
O Add or modify the code to the
form:[ServiceContract(ProtectionLevel
=ProtectionLevel.none)]public interfaceiCalculator
{
   [OperationContract]
   doubleAdd(doubleval1,doubleval2);
   [OperationContract]
   doublemultiple(doubleval1,doubleval2);
}
```

**Attention**: here after changing the name from Iservice1 to ICalculator (menu option

- not manually!) the file name may change in the project.
- propertyProtectionLevel (set to None) added to simplify the service.
- 2. Service contract implementatio nWCF

 Open the Service1.cs file. Enter the code of the MyCalculator class that implements the ICalculator interface: Implement each of the required methods:

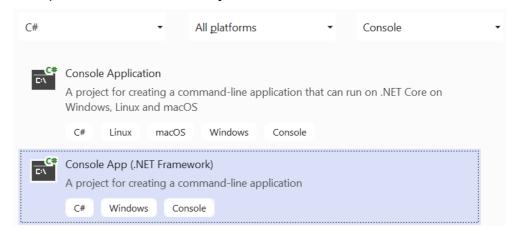
```
public classMyCalculator:iCalculator{public
  doubleAdd(doubleval1,doubleval2) {
    ...
}
  public doublemultiple(doubleval1,doubleval2) {
    ...
}
}
```

- In place of the dots ... add the appropriate code for each method:
  - performing the appropriate action,
  - displaying information in the console what is called, what was received in the call and what is returned,
  - return the appropriate value.

3. Hosting a WCF service

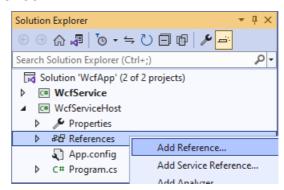
Create a console application that hosts a WCF service (Service Host).

 Add a second console application project to the existing walkthrough, giving it your own name (here: WcfServiceHost)
 – option: Add... □ New Project.



- Check (and possibly set) the version of the Application Framework.
  - In Solution Explorer context menu Properties, option Application □ Target Framework.
- Add a reference to the WCF service contract project in the project:
  - In Solution Explorer, select the References folder and select an option

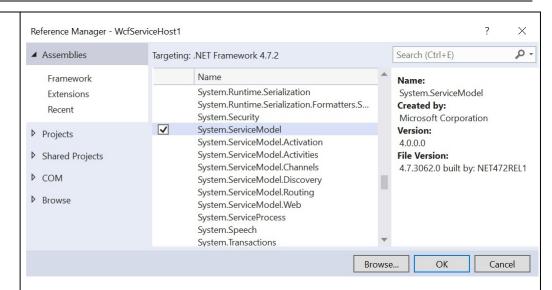
#### AddReference.



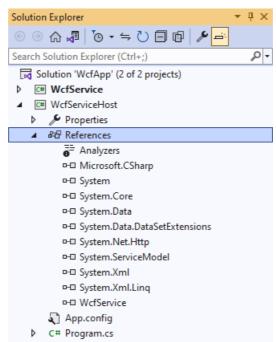
 In the credential manager window, select Solution/Project , select the WCF service contract project and commit:



- Add a reference to System.ServiceModel in your project:
  - In Solution Explorer, right-click the References folder and select Add Reference.
  - In the reference manager window, select Assemblies/Framework, select System.ServiceModel and confirm.



 Verify the appearance of additional references in the project as in the picture below:



- Open the Program.cs file and enter the following code:
  - o Create a URI with the base site address.
  - Create a service instance.
  - Adding a site endpoint.
  - o setting metadata (providing information about the website).
  - o Launching the website (and finally closing the website).

Instead of xxx, enter the network port number (e.g. 10000 + lab station number).

Replace ServiceBaseName (service name) with your own service name.

```
static voidmain(string[] arguments)
  // Step 1 URI for the base site address
 UribaseAddress =newUri("http://localhost:xxx/ServiceBaseName");
 // Step 2 Service
 \verb|instanceServiceHostmyHost|\\
 =new
           ServiceHost(typeof(MyCalculator), baseAddress);
 // Step 3 Service endpoint
 BasicHttpBindingmyBinding
 =newBasicHttpBinding();ServiceEndpointendpoint1 =
 myHost.AddServiceEndpoint (
                                typeof(iCalculator),my
                                Binding, "endpoint1");
 // Step 4 Set metadata
 ServiceMetadataBehaviorsmb
 =newServiceMetadataBehavior();smb.HttpGetEnabled =true;
 myHost.Description.Behaviors.Add(smb);
    // Step 5 Launching the
   website.myHost.Open();
   Console.WriteLine("Service is started and
    running.");Console.WriteLine("Press <ENTER> to STOP
    service...");Console.WriteLine();
    Console.ReadLine();
                           // not to terminate
    immediately:myHost.Close();
 }
 catch(CommunicationExceptionce)
    {Console.WriteLine("Exception occurred: {0}",
    ce.Message); myHost.Abort();
 }
```

• Remove errors by adding the import of appropriate libraries - after selecting with the cursor, the Quick Actions and Refactorings... option in the context menu or Show potential fixes.

o Most often this will be adding a using import directive.

4.Testing the operation of the applicatio n ATTENTION: to run the service outside the VS platform (e.g. from the console) you must have administrator rights in the system. Otherwise, the system must be additionally configured accordingly.

- Test the correct operation of the application
  - Build the application's executable code.
  - Run the WCF service hosting application from the command line

```
Administrator: Command Admin - WcfServiceHost.exe

D:\Users\Mariusz\PROGRAMY\VStudio\WcfApp\WcfServiceHost\bin\Debug>WcfServiceHost.exe

-->Service is started and running...
-->Press <ENTER> to STOP service...
```

- Check the site metadata and service description
  - Launch your browser and connect to the address:

http://localhost:xxx/ServiceBaseName

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	<ul> <li>Read the description of the site.</li> </ul>	

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Connecting to the host and displaying the page with the appropriate description means that the application works correctly.

- Go to the service WSDL description page.
   Identify the important parts of the service description: types, messages, operations, access point, etc.
- Browse the content of the page: http://localhost:xxx/ServiceBaseName?xsd=xsd0

Starting the service (not the host) from the VS (Visual Studio) level automatically launches the built-in client that allows you to test the operation of the service.

- Start the service from within VS
   Note that in this case the service is available (works) on a special port reserved by VS (other than defined in the host).
  - Click on an operation in this client (e.g. Add)
  - o Enter some data for the parameters and call the operation
  - Check the form of the XML message (SOAP messages) that is sent and received.
  - Shut down the service running from VS. Leave the service running from the console.
- Run the Postman program (alternatively, you can SOAPUI) to test the operation of the site.
  - Create an HTTP request by configuring:
    - POST method
    - address as for the service endpoint check it in the WSDL in the service->port->address section.

#### HTTP headers:

- Content-type= test/xml (this is the case here)
   Note: for WSHttpBinding the type is different: application/soap+xml
- SOAPAction
   set here the value of the soapAction attribute of the called operation defined in WSDL here usually in the following form:http://tempuri.org/service\_interface\_name/operation\_name(eghttp://tempuri.org/ICalculator/Add)

   Note: in WSDL, the operation name may start with a lowercase letter instead of an uppercase one.
- In the body of the request, enter the simplest form of the SOAP message/request
  - you can copy it from the VS test client
  - leave the <Header> section empty (Postman has trouble handling it)

- the request should look similar to the following:

**Attention**: Possible errors, e.g. "server was unable to process the request due to an internal error" are usually caused by errors/typos in method names, parameters, SOAPAction, usage lowercase instead of uppercase (or vice versa), etc.

Implementatio
 n of the service client - version I

Creation of a service client application and a client proxy (client proxy) a separate code.

- Create a separate walkthrough with the third application project from the C# Console App template (.NetFramework) giving it its own name (here WcfClient).
- Check (and possibly set) the application's Framework version (same as in the second project).
- Add a reference to System.ServiceModel in the project (same as in the second project (for the host)) - it can also be done as a result of platform prompts when entering the code.
- Add an interface to the project (Add/New Item.../Interface option)
   Define the service contract interface (ICalculator) exactly the same way.
- In the client file Program.cs, enter code that:
  - Creates a client instance (client proxy)
    - creating a Uri object of the base address of the service.
    - creating a binding
    - creating an endpoint
    - creating a proxy client using a channel factory
  - Invokes a service operation using a proxy client
  - Closes the client

```
EndpointAddress eAddress = newEndpointAddress(baseAddress);
                         // channel
                         factory:ChannelFactory<ICalculator> myCF
                                        ChannelFactory<ICalculator>(myBinding, eAddress);
                         // client proxy (here myClient) based on
                         channelICalculator myClient = myCF.CreateChannel();
                       // Step 2: service operations call.
                         Console.Write("...calling Add (for entpoint1) ");
                         doubleresult = myClient.add(-3.7, 9.5);//just example
                         valuesConsole.WriteLine("Result = "+result);
                         [...]// here possible other operations
                         Console.WriteLine("...press <ENTER> to STOP client...");
                         Console.WriteLine();
                         Console.ReadLine();
                                                  // to not finish app immediately:
                       // Step 3: Closing the client - closes connection and clears
                           resources.
                          ((IClientChannel)myClient).Close();
                         Console.WriteLine("...Client closed - FINISHED");

    Start the service (the application hosting the WCF service) in a

6.Testing
                      single console window.
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    Start the client in a second console window.

  operation
  of the
                    Check the operating results.
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    The effect of the customer and the service should be

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                      similar to the illustrations.
                   Administrator: Command Adm...
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                                                          C:\Windows\system32\cmd.exe - ...
                                                                                         Service is started and running...
                                                         \WcfClient\bin\Debug>WcfClient.exe
                   ->Press <ENTER> to STOP service...
                                                          ... The client is started
...calling Add - Result = 5,8
...calling Multiply - Result = -35,15
-->press <ENTER> to STOP client...
                  ..called Add
                   ...called Multiply

    Quit all applications.

    Open the host's Program.cs file and add the following code:

7. Modification of

    Adding another endpoint (for WSHttp transport).

  the website

    View contract information.

  host

    Before starting the service(before the Open() function) create a

                      WSHttpBinding object (for the WS Http transport) and add an
                      additional endpoint/endpoint:
                      WSHttpBindingbinding2 = newWSHttpBinding();
                      binding2.Security.Mode =
                      SecurityMode.None;ServiceEndpointendpoint2 =
                      myHost.AddServiceEndpoint(
                                                                   typeof(iCalculator),
                                                                   binding2, "endpoint2");
                     Then add the code displaying information about endpoints (as
                      below for endpoint 1), duplicating it for endpoint2:
```

```
Console.WriteLine("\n---> Endpoints:");
                     Console.WriteLine("\nService endpoint {0}:",
                     endpoint1.Name);Console.WriteLine("Binding: {0}",
                     endpoint1.Binding.ToString());
                     Console.WriteLine("ListenUri: {0}", endpoint1.ListenUri.ToString());
                  Extra note:
                 many site elements, including additional endpoints, can also be
                  defined in the App.config host project configuration file.

    Rebuild (Rebuild) the service contract and service host.

8.Testing
                  • Start the service from the console and check the operation.
  the
  operation

    Review the data displayed in the host console.

  of the

    Test it with Postman

  service

    change request address to endpoint2

    change the Content-Type header to application/soap+xml

                     o include a reference to SOAP standards in the envelope and
                        attributes in the header:
                        - action – such as soapAction attribute in WSDL
                        - This- such as endpoint address:
                     <s:Envelopexmlns:a="http://www.w3.org/2005/08/addressing"
                                xmlns:s="http://www.w3.org/2003/05/soap-envelope">
                         <a:Actions:mustUnderstand="1">http:
                           //tempuri.org/ICalculator/Add
                         </a:Action>
                         <and this>http://localhost:10000/MyService/endpoint2</and this>
                       </s:Header>
                       <s: Body>[...]</s: Body>
                     </s:Envelope>

    Send a request and check the response.

                  Creationclient proxy (client proxy ) using Visual Studio functions:
9. Implementation
                  Add Service Reference.
  of the service
  client - version

    Add a service reference to the defined service in the client's

  II - configuring
                    project (Illustration further in the figure):
  the client's

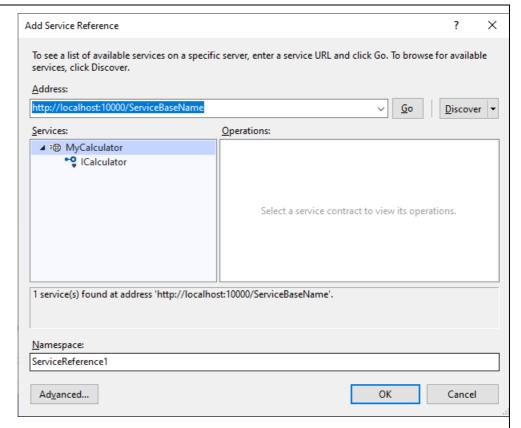
    Start the WCF service hosting application first!

  proxy

    Right-click a folder in Solution Explorer

                       References and select Add Service Reference.
                     o In the Add Service Reference window, enter the service
                        address (endpoint) in the Address field:
                       http://localhost:xxx/ServiceBaseName
                        Replace xxx with the appropriate port number.
                     o Press the Go button and an available service should appear on
                       the given access point (see figure next). Selecting a contract
                        (interface) will additionally show available operations (methods).

    Confirm your selection with the OK button.
```



In the above manner, the client proxy code is generated that performs service calls - the code of the additional application module.

The client configuration is contained in the project's App.config configuration file created by adding a service reference.

- Open the client's App.config file and examine its contents.
- Pay particular attention to the section and name and type of binding (binding), the section and name of the access point (endpoint) and the contract specification (contract).
- Its contents should be similar to the one in the picture.

```
<client>
                            <endpointaddress="http://localhost:10000/MyService/endpoint1</pre>
                              binding="basicHttpBinding"bindingConfiguration="BasicHttpB
                              inding_ICalculator"contracts="ServiceReference1.ICalculato
                              r"name="BasicHttpBinding ICalculator"/>
                            <endpointaddress=http://localhost:10000/MyService/endpoint</pre>
                              2binding="wsHttpBinding"bindingConfiguration="WSHttpBind
                              ing_ICalculator"contracts="ServiceReference1.ICalculator
                              "name="WSHttpBinding_ICalculator"/>
                          </client>
                        </system.serviceModel>
                     </config>
                  • In the client file Program.cs, add the following code:
10.

    Creating a client proxy instance (client proxy).

  Implementatio

    Calling a service operation from the client.

  n of the service
                     CalculatorClient myClient2 = new
  client - version
                                     CalculatorClient("WSHttpBinding ICalculator");
  II-proxy
                     Console.Write("...calling Multiply (for endpoint2) - "); result
                     = myClient2.Multiply(-3.7, 9.5);
                                                                   //just example
  creation and
                     valuesConsole.WriteLine("Result = "+ result);
  call
                     The proxy client object (here myClient2) is created according to
                     hints from the service description page:

    the class name is the service class name plus "Client",

    however, if the service has more than one access point

                         (endpoint), the constructor must specify one of them,

    the name of the endpoint from the file is used for the specification

                         app.config(here: "WSHttpBinding ICalculator").

    Fix errors by adding imports of appropriate classes including

                        ServiceReference1.
                  • Run the service (the application hosting the WCF service) in one
11.Testingapp
                     console window, the client in the other console window, and check
  lication
                     the results.
  operation
                    The effect should be similar to the one below.
                   C:\Windows\system32\cmd.exe - WcfClient.exe
                  d:\Users\Mariusz\PROGRAMY\VStudio\WcfClient\WcfClient\bin\Debug>WcfClient.exe
                   ... The client is started
...calling Add (for endpoint1) - Result = 5,8
                   ..calling Multiply (for endpoint2) - Result = -35,15
->press <ENTER> to STOP client...
                  There are several ways to perform an operation asynchronously. The
12. Asynchronous
                  new version of WCF automatically generates asynchronous methods
  operations
                  that return Task<T> according to the ATM (Asynchronous Task
  version I
                  Model). They have names with Async added. This is why
                  it is usually recommended to use this approach.
```

#### Service:

 Add another HMultiply operation to the contract (interface and implementation) - like Multiply, but with added sleep for 5 seconds. (something like simulation of long calculations (Heavy Multiply)).

• For the service contract, define the behavior to multithread the service instance ConcurencyMode=Multiple.

```
[ServiceBehavior(InstanceContextMode =InstanceContextMode.Single, ConcurrencyMode =ConcurrencyMode.Multiple)]

public classMyCalculator: ICalculator {[...]}

[...]— denotes already existing code fragments.
```

Rebuild the site from scratch and run it.

#### Client:

In the client, we will define a separate method in which we will wait for the result of the previously called asynchronous service operation (which returns a Task<T> promise)

- Update the service reference (so the customer can see changes to the site).
- Define a method in the client that will invoke the asynchronous version of HMultiply - HmultiplyAsync with expectation:

```
static asyncTask<double> callHMultiplyAsy(doublen1,doublen2) {
  Console.WriteLine("2.....called callHMultiplyAsync");
  doublereply =waitmyClient2.HMultiplyAsync(n1, n2);
  Console.WriteLine("2.....finished
  HMultipleAsync");returnreply;
}
```

- In the Main method add:
  - behind the call to the Multiply method, the method call callHMultiplyAsync:

```
Console.WriteLine("2...calling HMultiply ASYNCHRONOUSLY !!!");
Task<double> asyResult = callHMultiplyAsync(1.1, -3.3);
```

- after this call, add a pause (Thread.Sleep) for about 100ms (to better catch the order of activities), and then another add call (synchronous request).
- after this call, at the end, before closing the application (proxy clients), add getting the result from the async method and print the result:

```
result = asyResult.Result;
Console.WriteLine("2...HMultiplyAsync Result = "+ result);
```

**Attention**: here, if the result is not yet available, the client will be suspended.

Run the application and check the operation.
 Pay attention to the order in which operations are called

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	and the results are printed.	

13.
Asynchronou
s operations
- version I preliminary

preparation

The first approach, consistent with the SOA pattern of performing operations asynchronously using one-way requests - without a response (One-way) - is to define a Callback Contract - one one-way request calls the operation, the second request (from the service to the client) returns the result .

#### Service:

The service will be implemented in a separate project.

- Add the WCF Library project of the third service (e.g. called CallbackService) to the solution - the project of the second contract.
- Add a reference to this project in the host.
- 14. Defining a service contract with callback operations

Define in the project a new Callback service contract with one operation (method). For this purpose, the following are defined:

- OneWay operations,
- behavior of the CallbackContract service specifying the type of callback interface (here: we specify it as ISuperCalcCallback)
  - this is the client interface for callback handling
  - this interface must be implemented in the client,
- behavior can be defined as an attribute of the service contract (v [ServiceContract]),
- additionally, we will specify the requirement for the service instance to run within the session.
- Define the ISuperCalc service contract interface code containing the Factorial (callback) asynchronous (callback) method/operation, additionally defining the CallbackContract service attribute and requiring the session mode:

 In this file, also define the ISuperCalcCallback interface containing a description of the methods called at the client in order to transfer the results of the Factorial operation - here containing the FactorialResult method for the factorial calculation result.

Add a second interface in the same file:

```
public interfaceISuperCalcCallback{
   [OperationContract(IsOneWay
   =true)]voidFactorialResult(doubleres
   ult);
```

## service contract

15. Implementation Implement contract - a class that implements each of the required ones methods of the ISuperCalc interface.

- In the Service1.cs file. enter the MySuperCalc class code implementing the ISuperCalc interface.
  - o Behavior is also defined for the service InstanceContextMode=PerSessionmeaning creation object instance (service instance) for each session.

```
o The handler for the callback is taken in the
constructor.
   [ServiceBehavior(InstanceContextMode = InstanceContextMode.PerSession,
                 ConcurrencyMode =ConcurrencyMode.Multiple)]
   public classMySuperCalc:ISuperCalc{
     doubleresult;
     ISuperCalcCallbackcall back =null;
     publicMvSuperCalc() {
       call back =OperationContext.Current.GetCallbackChannel
                  <ISuperCalcCallback>();
     public voidFactorial(doublen) {
       Console.WriteLine("...called Factorial({0})", n);
       Thread.Sleep(1000);
       result = 1;
       for(inti = 1; i <= n; i++ )</pre>
         result *= i;
       callback.FactoryResult(result);
     }
   }
o Finally, we call the callback method in the
```

#### 16. Expansion

Add in the code of the application hosting the launch of the second website.

### host for third service

- In the Program.cs file, add the code where appropriate performing the following functions:
  - Create a URI with the base address of the second site.
  - Create a second site host object.
  - Adding an endpoint with a WSDualHttpBinding.
  - Define site metadata.

client.

Launching a second site.

#### [...]denotes existing code snippets.

```
static voidmain(string[] args) {
  [\ldots]
  UribaseAddress3
  =newUri(...);ServiceHostmyHost3
     ServiceHost(typeof(MySuperCalc),
  baseAddress3);WSDualHttpBindingmyBinding3
  =newWSDualHttpBinding();ServiceEndpointendpoint3 =
     myHost3.AddServiceEndpoint(typeof(ISuperCalc),
                                 myBinding3, "endpoint3");
  myHost3.Description.Behaviors.Add(smb);
  try{
```

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```
myHost3.Open();
Console.WriteLine("--> Service SuperCalc is running.");
[...]
myHost3.Close();
}catch(CommunicationExceptionce) {
[...]
myHost3.Abort();
}
```

Start the service (host) from the console and check the operation.

# 17.Expansion of the client to use the second service

- Add a service reference to the second service in the client: Note: remember to run the service hosting app first!
- Add a new class to the client's project (here called SuperCalcCallback) in which operations called back by the service will be defined to send back the results of its service operations.

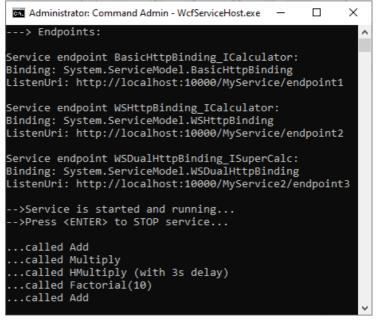
```
classSuperCalcCallback:ISuperCalcCallback{
  public voidFactorialResult(doubleresult) {
    //here the result is
    consumedConsole.WriteLine(" Factorial = {0}",
    result);
  }
}
```

- Open the Program.cs file and add code in the Main function to do the following:
  - Creation of a handle object (handler) with the operations of receiving results from the service.
  - Creating a proxy client instance.
  - o Calling a service operation from the client (proxy).
  - Client closures

Add this code after calling the callHMultiplyAsync method. Receiving and writing results will be asynchronous - initiated by the service.

18.Testingapp lication operation

- Start the service (service hosting application) in one console window.
- Start the client in a second console window.
- Check the operating results. Pay attention to the times of service and customer operation.
- The final output should be similar to the following: Host window:



#### client window:

```
C:\Windows\system32\cmd.exe

---> The client is started
> proxyclient 1
1...calling Add (for endpoint1) - Result = 5,8
> proxyclient 2
2...calling Multiply (for endpoint2) - Result = -35,15
2...calling HMultiply (for endpoint2) ASYNCHRONOUSLY !!!
2.....called callHMultiplyAsync - calling HMultiplyAsync
> proxyclient 3
3...calling Factorial(10)...
2...calling Add (for endpoint2) - Result = 23,4
--- Factorial = 3628800
2.....finished HMultipleAsync
2...HMultiplyAsync Result = -3,63
---> Client closed - FINISHED
```

## 3 Task - part II

- **A.** Practice the technique of creating WCF services and clients according to the manual.
  - 1. Defining, configuring and implementing contracts.
  - 2. Create a service host. Defining endpoints (endpoint).
  - 3. Creating a client, binding and invoking service operations.
  - 4. Asynchronous operations according to the ATM and CallbackContract models.
- B. Prepare to write an application with similar functionalities or modify the application during classes. according to the instructor's instructions.