**Lab 7 SOAP web service ... in Spring Boot**

This lab will show you how you can create a SOAP web service using Spring Boot. We will create a SOAP web service for retrieving drone parts information. Where the ‘default’ with Spring Boot is SOAP version 1.1, this lab will implement a SOAP 1.2 version.

The starting point for this lab is to have the provided VirtualBox machine up-and-running:

* You are logged in under user/password: developer/welcome01
* You have updated the labs running the git pull command in the lab workspace directory /home/developer/projects/SIGSpringBoot101

# Overview

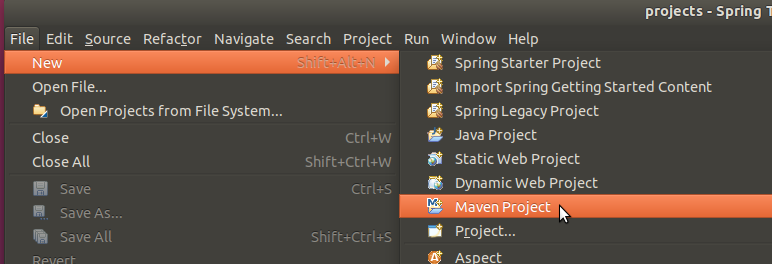
In this lab. We will start with a blanc maven project and add everything that is needed for the SOAP web service. The following steps will be done in this lab:

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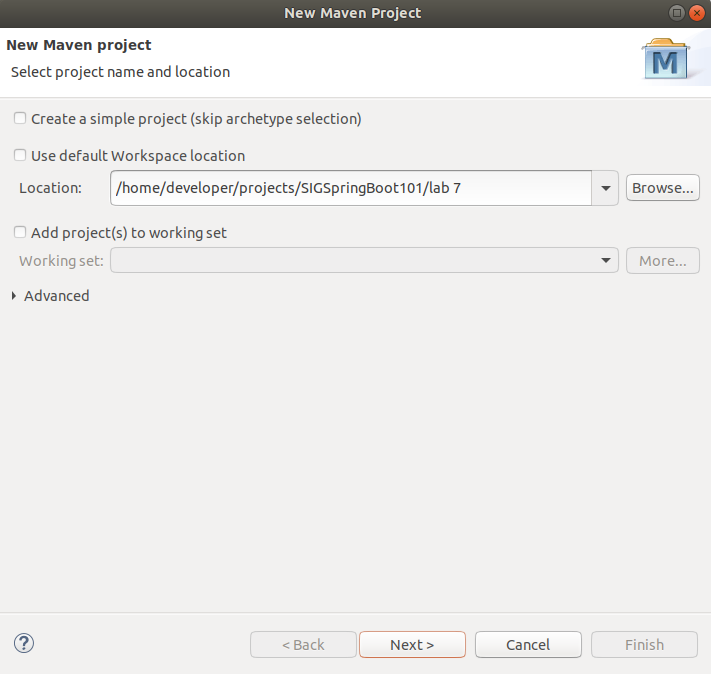
# Project and the pom.xml

First, we are going to create an Eclipse STS project and update the maven pom file.

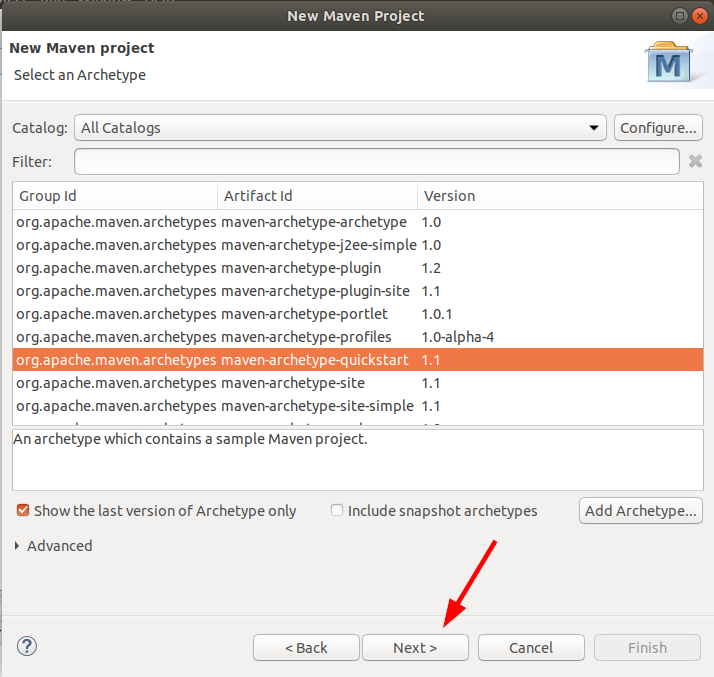
Start Eclipse STS and then create a maven project:



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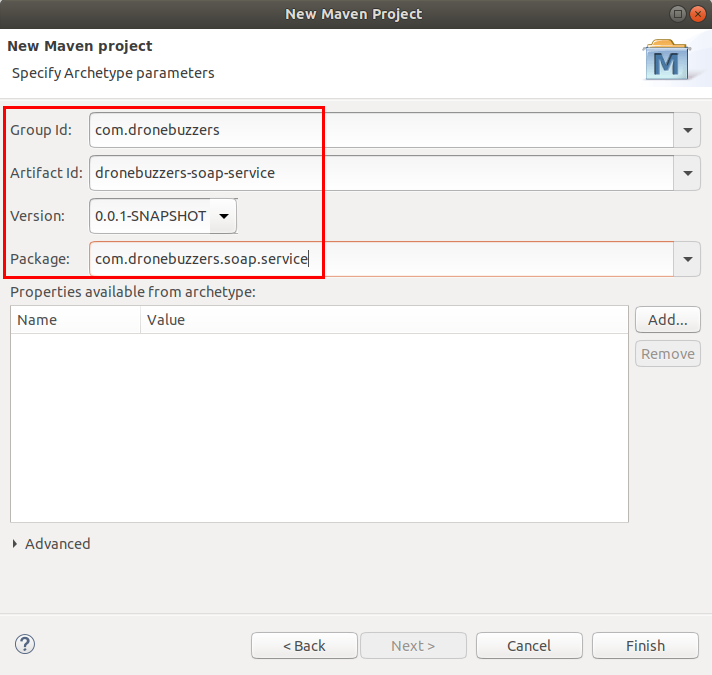


Click Next and set the archetype like shown below:



Click Next and complete like shown below:

* Group Id: com.dronebuzzers
* Artifact Id: dronebuzzers-soap-service
* Package: com.dronebuzzers.soap.service



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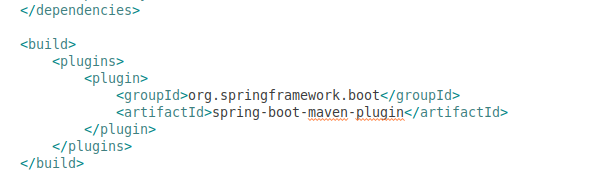
Now, the project is created.

Next, the pom.xml will be updated:

* Add the Spring Boot parent
* Add the Spring Boot dependencies, including those for the SOAP web service and WSDL’s
* Add the Java 1.8 property



* … and add the build plugin:



No need to type it all, just copy the pom.xml from  
<workspace>/SIGSpringBoot101/lab 7/input/pom.xml

Finally, delete the generated App.java class (located in package: com.dronebuzzers.soap.service)

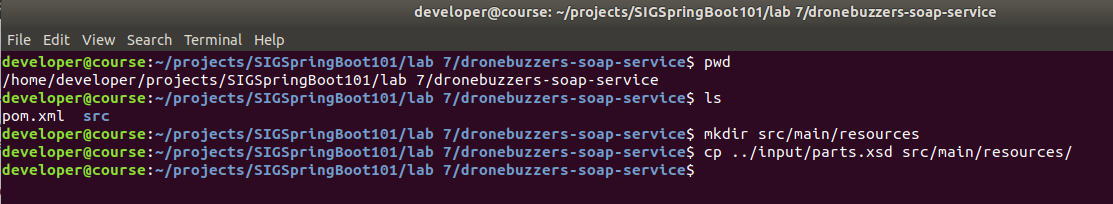
# XML schema for messages

For a SOAP web service, we need an XML schema file that defines the business objects and the request and response messages that are used in the SOAP web service.

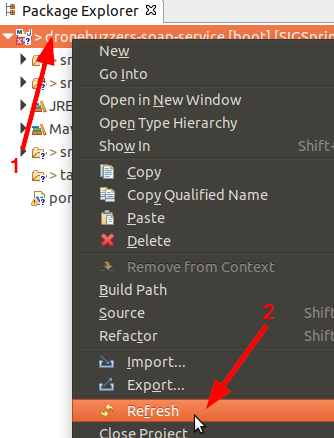
The XSD is available:

<workspace>/SIGSpringBoot101/lab 7/input/parts.xsd

You need to import it into the Eclipse STS project in the resources directory:



Refresh the project in Eclipse STS by right-clicking it and click Refresh:



Now, open the parts.xsd so you can examine the message definitions:

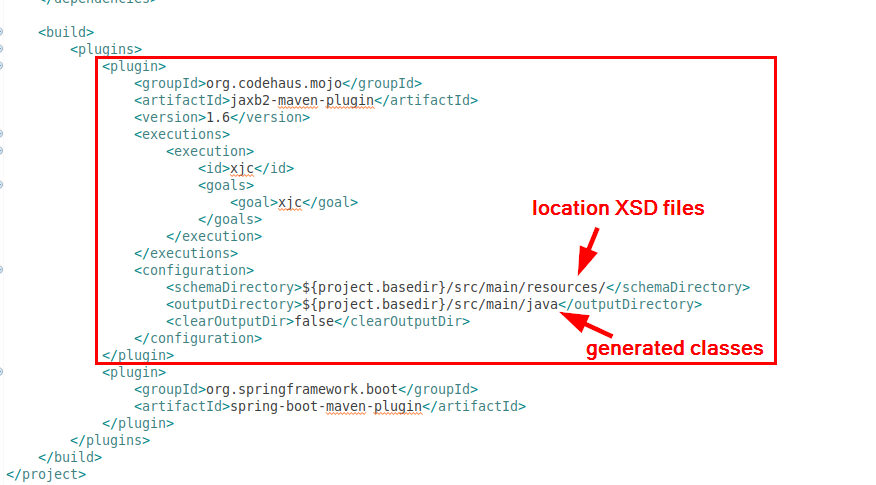
… and a bit further down the file the business object definitions:



# JAXB: Java classes for parts.xsd

In this section, we will use JAXB to create the Java classes for the messages and business objects defined in parts.xsd.

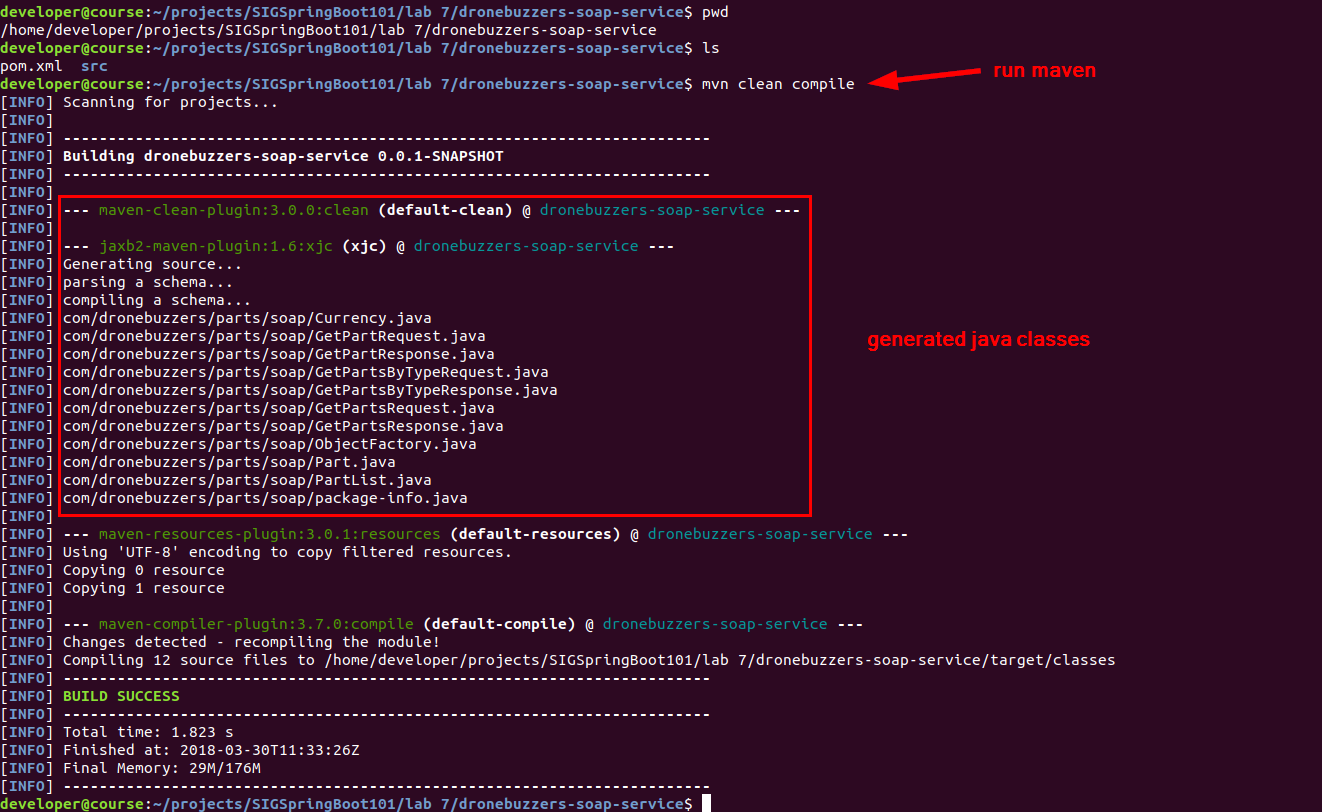
First, add the JAXB maven plugin in the pom.xml:



Either type it in by hand… or copy it from the file:

<workspace>/SIGSpringBoot101/lab 7/input/jaxb-plugin.xml

Next, generate the domain classes with the JAXB plugin. Don’t forget to save the updated pom.xml first! The command to run the JAXB plugin is mvn clean compile :



Note that the location/packages for the generated sources reflect the namespace. The packages for the namespace ‘http://dronebuzzers.com/parts/soap’ end up in package ‘com.dronesbuzzers.parts.soap’.

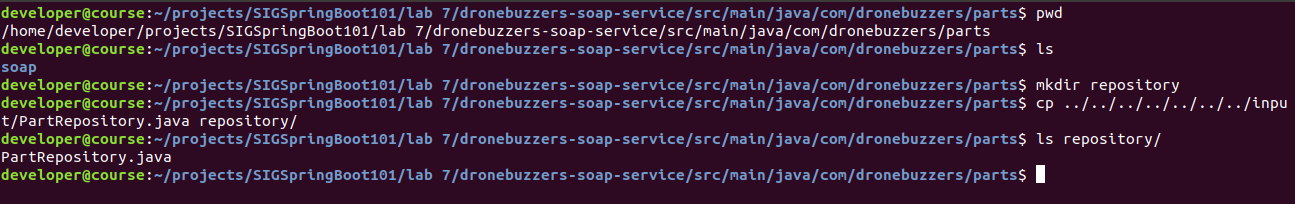
So far, all pretty straightforward JAXB stuff.

# Parts repository

As the parts web service also needs access to parts data, we need to have a parts repository. For this lab, we created a simple java class that will be used as a repository. Nothing fancy, just copy it from:

<workspace>/SIGSpringBoot101/lab 7/input/PartRepository.java

Mind to put it in the right directory: repository



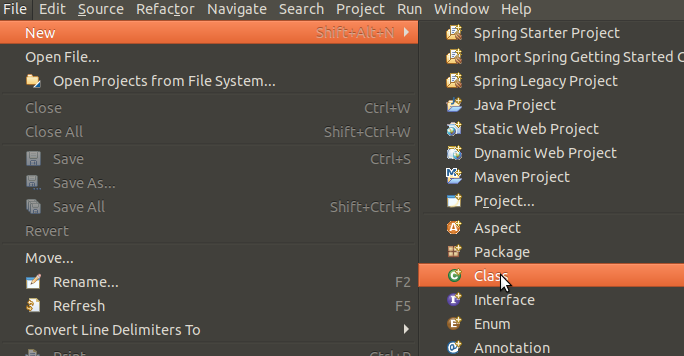
The PartRepository class has hard-coded drone parts and some methods for retrieving information about them.

Refresh the project!

# Web service endpoint

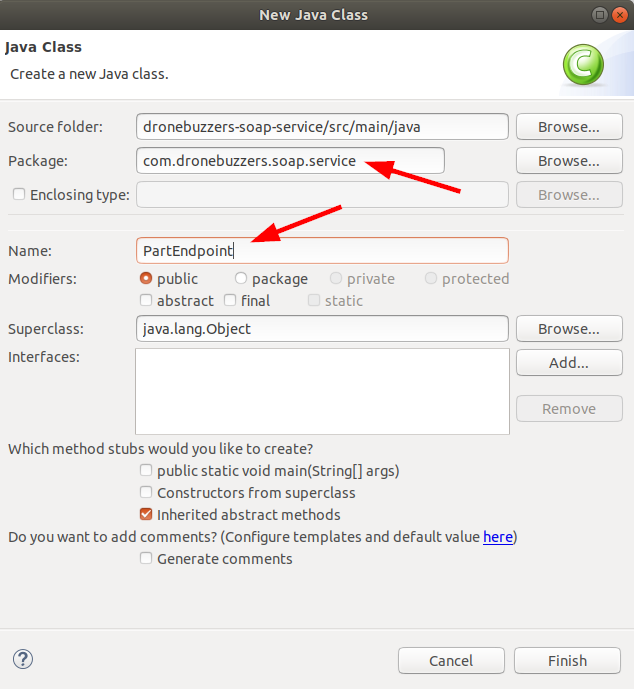
A SOAP web service has an endpoint. It is a simple java class with some Spring Boot annotations.

Create a new Java class by right-clicking the project, select New and then Class:



Complete like shown below:

* Source folder: dronebuzzers-soap-service/src/main/java
* Package: com.dronebuzzers.soap.service
* Name: PartEndpoint



Click Finish

In the resulting file, copy the contents of the file:

<workspace>/SIGSpringBoot101/lab 7/input/PartEndpoint.java

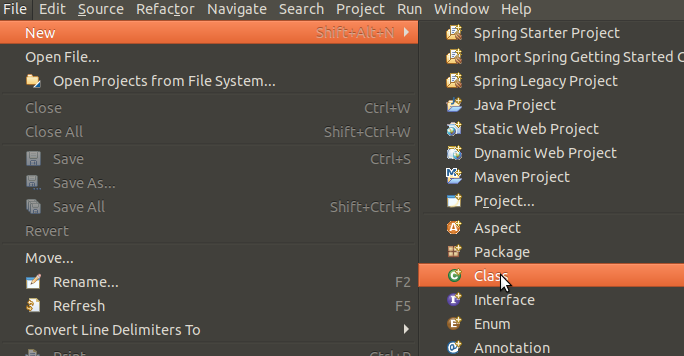
And examine the – annotations in – the code:



# Web service configuration

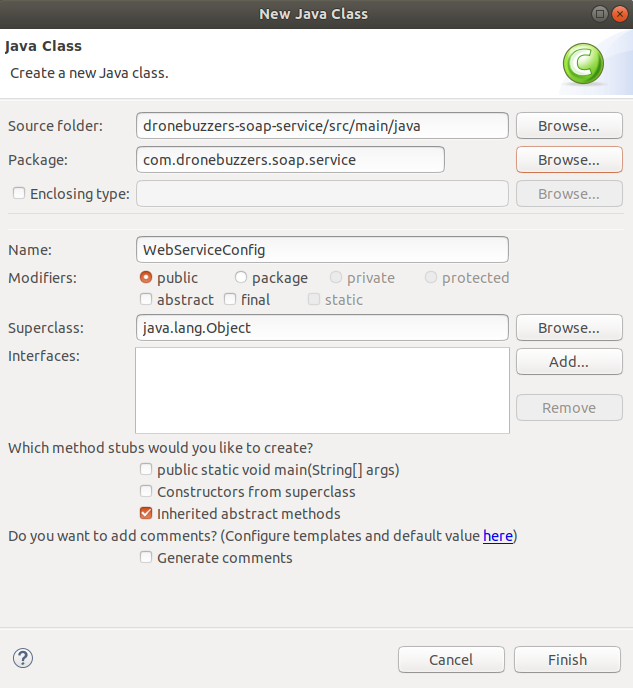
The previous section defined what the web service is doing on its endpoint. Now, we configure the web service endpoint itself.

Create a new java class by right-clicking the project, select New and then Class:



Complete like shown below:

* Source folder: dronebuzzers-soap-service/src/main/java
* Package: com.dronebuzzers.soap.service
* Name: WebServiceConfig



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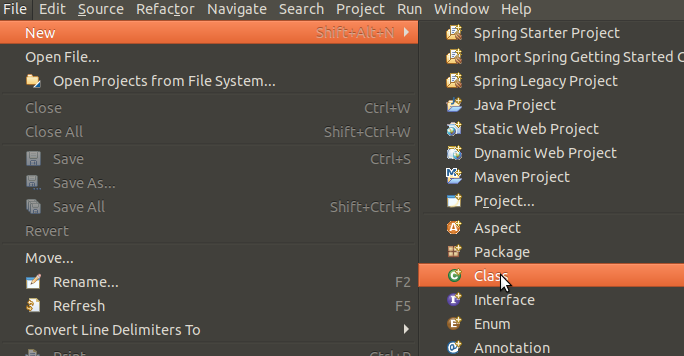
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# Runnable application

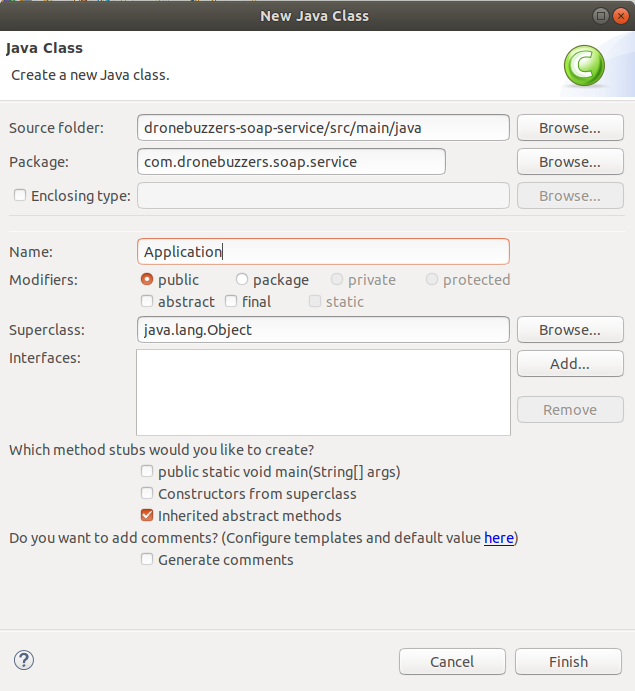
In order to turn this project into a runnable application, create the class Application.

Create a new java class by right-clicking the project, select New and then Class:



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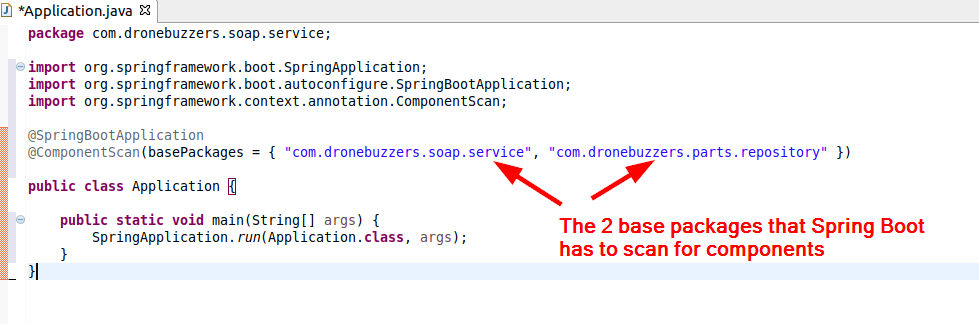
* Source folder: dronebuzzers-soap-service/src/main/java
* Package: com.dronebuzzers.soap.service
* Name: Application



In the resulting file, copy the contents of the file:

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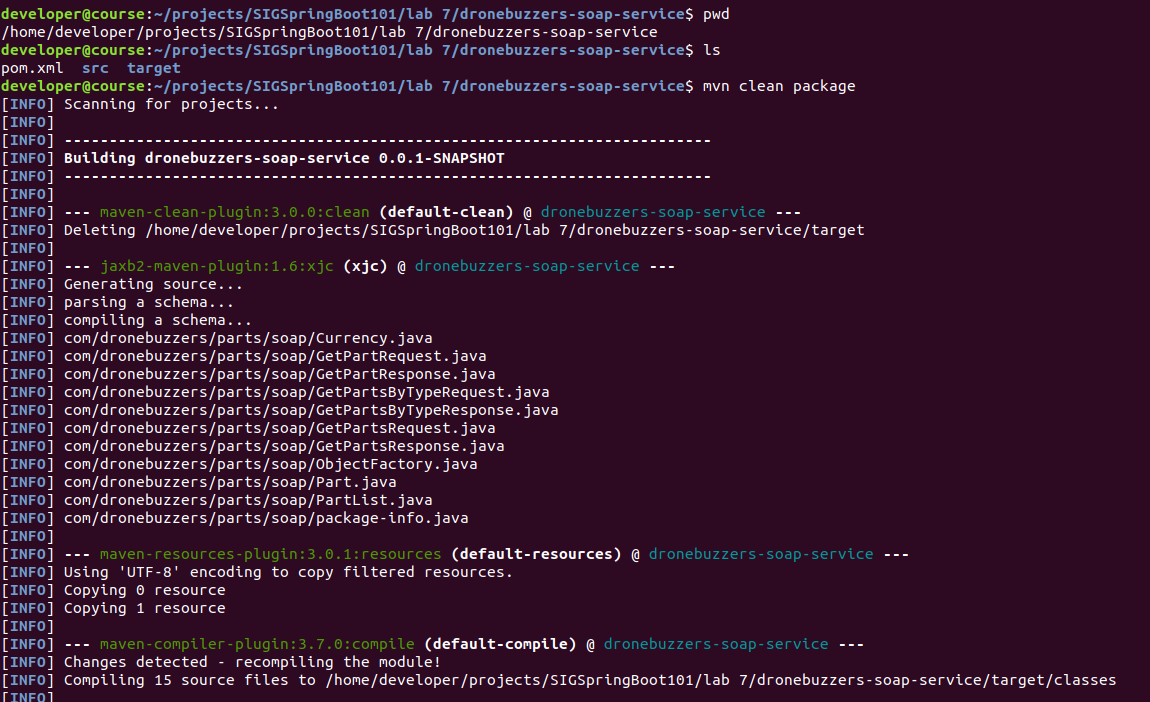
And examine the annotations in the code:



After saving all files in Eclipse STS, the implementation of the SOAP web service is finished.

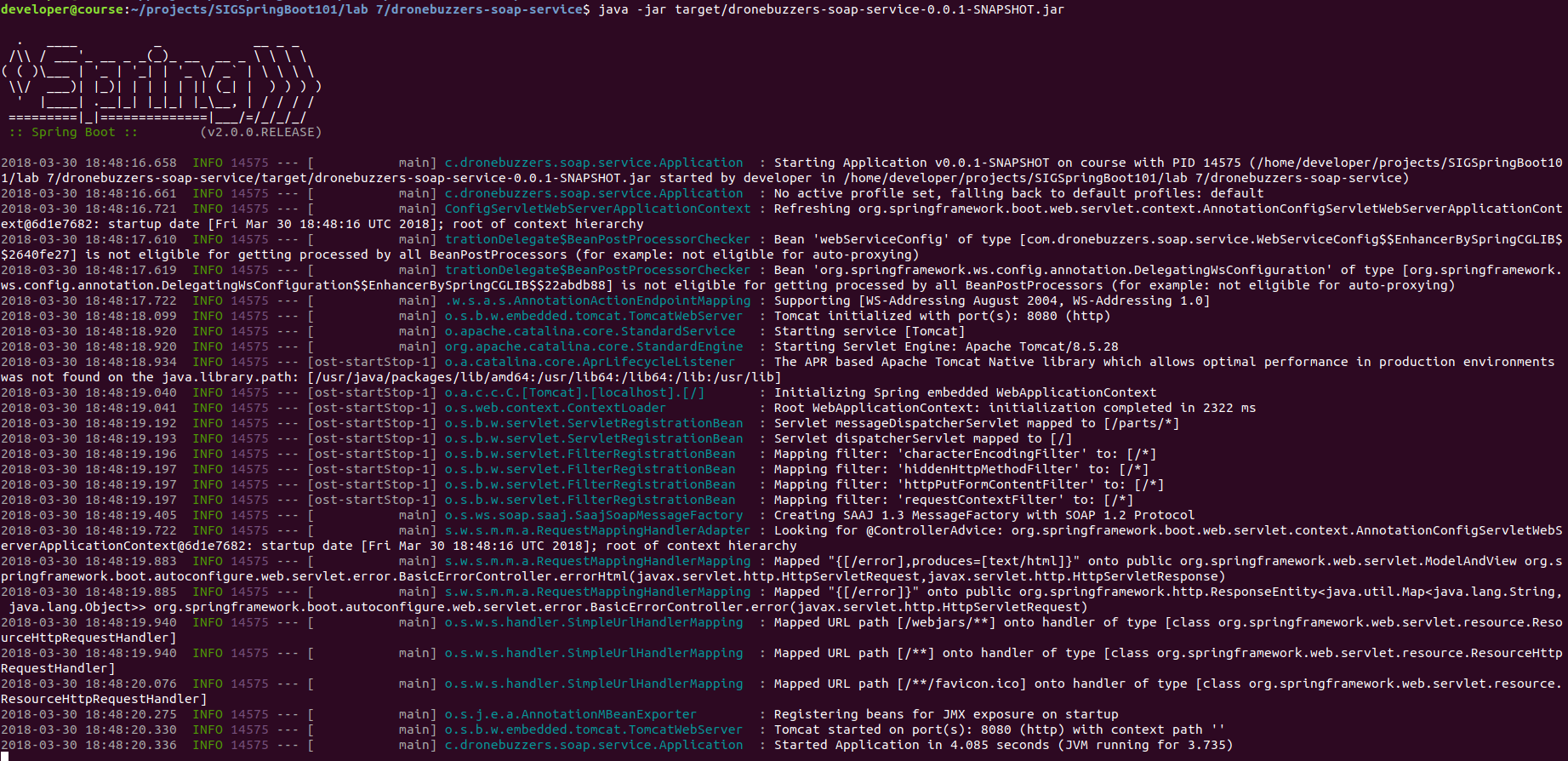
# Run and Test the Soap web service

Let’s start the web service from the command line, using mvn clean package[[1]](#footnote-1):



Next, the web service can be started with the command:

java -jar target/dronebuzzers-soap-service-0.0.1-SNAPSHOT.jar



With the service up and running, you can have a look at the WSDL by

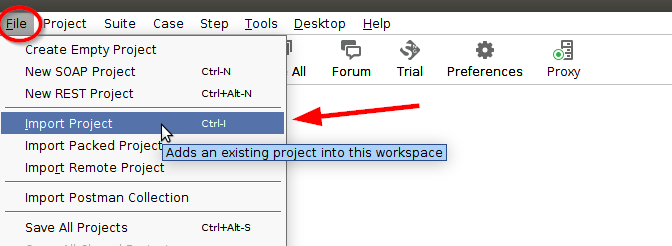
<http://localhost:8080/parts/soap/parts.wsdl>

The testing work can be done with SoapUI. Start SoapUI by clicking on 

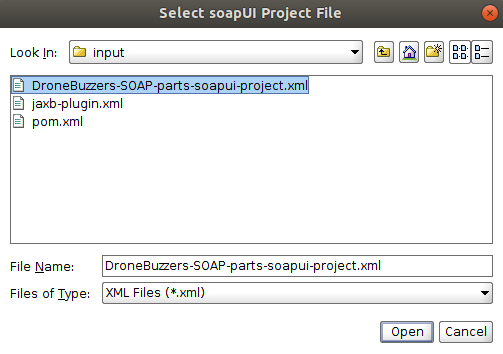
SoapUI will start. Next, import the sample project:

<workspace>/SIGSpringBoot101/lab 7/input/DroneBuzzers-SOAP-parts-soapui-project.xml

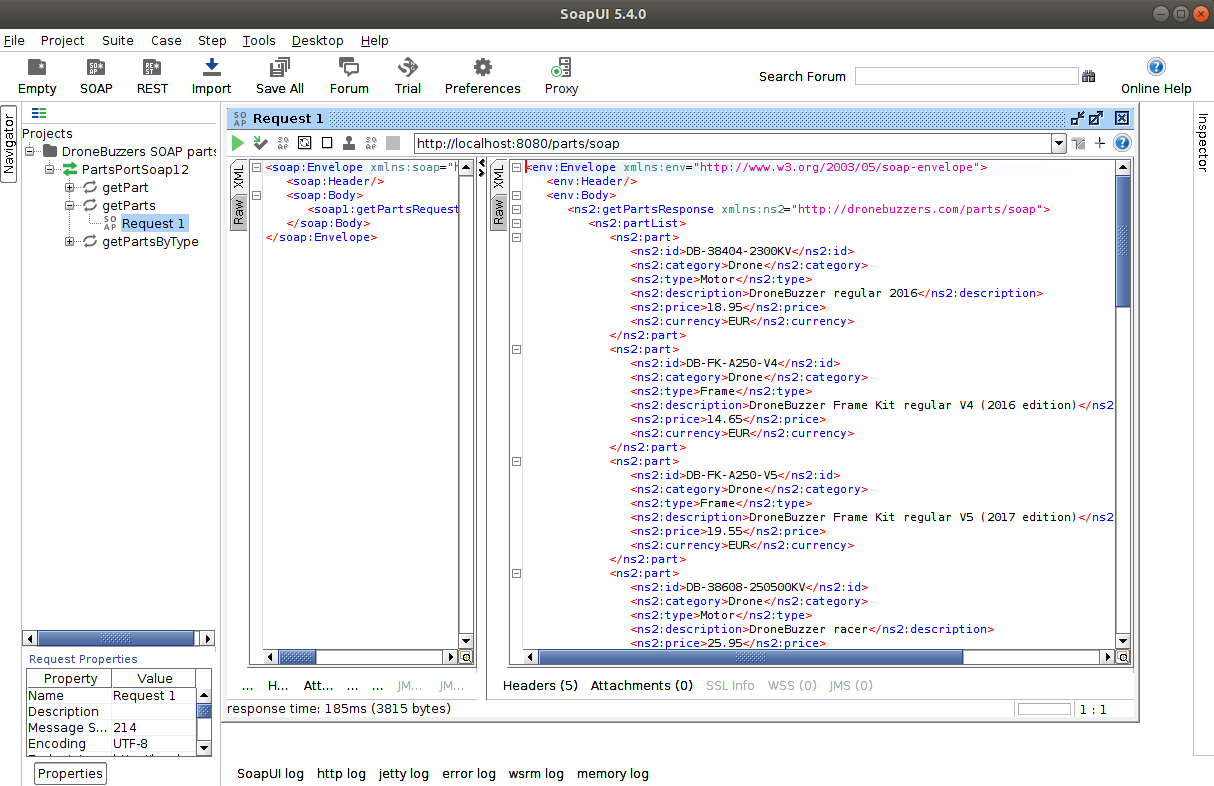
In SoapUI, click File – Import Project:



Select the sample project:



And open it. Next, the 3 operations can be used for testing the parts Soap web service:



1. Here, we run the service from the command line. In (most?) other labs, we run the services from Eclipse STS. Here we chose to run from command line for no particular reason. You can also run the web service from within Eclipse STS [↑](#footnote-ref-1)