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Bonita Connectors

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Integrating Bonita

Source code snippets and URLs are available in https://svn.inf.mit.bme.hu/edu/trunk/mdsd/handout/public/2014/.

A detailed guide in Hungarian is available in https://njszt.hu/sites/default/files/Informatikai-Navigator-10.pdf.

1.1 Introduction

1. Start the **Bonita BPM Community** application and choose the **ApplicationStore (1.0)** process.
2. Start the workflow and inspect it. The **Show the application names** step shows the applications available in our application store. Currently this list is generated by the Groovy connector of the **Download the application names** task.
3. Go to the **Connectors** of the **Download the application names** task and delete the Groovy connector.

1.2 Creating a Connector

1. A connector consist of a **definition** (interface) and an implementation.
2. First, define the **definition**. Go to **Development | Connectors | New Definition...**. Set the **Definition id** to `ApplicationConnector` and the **Category** to **Script**. Click **Next**, **Next**. On the the **Output** page, click **Add...*** and set the **Name** to `applications` and the **Type** to `java.util.List`. Click **Finish**.
3. Go to **Development | Connectors | New Implementation**. Pick the **ApplicationConnector** and set the package to `hu.bme.mit.inf.sysint`.
4. An Eclipse JDT-based Java editor will show up with the `ApplicationConnectorImpl` file. Edit the `executeBusinessLogic` method to get the following.

```
@Override
protected void executeBusinessLogic() throws ConnectorException {
  //Get access to the connector input parameters

  //WARNING : Set the output of the connector execution.
  //If outputs are not set, connector fails
  List<String> applications = new ArrayList<String>();
  applications.add("App1");
```

```
    applications.add("App2");
    setApplications(applications);
}
```

5. The connector can be tested in **Development | Connectors | Test connector**. Choose the **ApplicationConnector** and click **Test** and **OK**.

6. Add this connector to the **Download the application names** task. On the **Output operations** page, set that the **applications** variable takes the value of the **applications** output of the connector.

7. Delete the connector from the **Download the application names** task.

8. Test the workflow.

1.3 Database Integration

Figure 1.1: Database connector configuration

1. In this section, we integrate our workflow with a MySQL database. Start the **MySQL Workbench 6.0 CE** application.

2. Choose the **SQL development** section and select the **applications** database.

3. The username and password are both `root`.

4. An SQL development environment will appear. We have created a database table for the workflow: select the **application** table in the **applications** database, **right click** and select **Select Rows - Limit 1000**.

5. The query and the results will appear with the applications `Flashlight`, `News` and `Weather`.

6. Go back to **Bonita**. Select the **Download the application names** task and add a **MySQL 5.5 JDBC4 database query** connector. Name it `MySQLConnector` and click **Next**.

7. On the **Database access information** page, set the following and click **Next**:

   - Driver: `com.mysql.jdbc.Driver`
   - URL: `jdbc:mysql://localhost:3306/applications`
   - Username: `root`
   - Password: `root`

8. On the **Enter query** page, use the **Switch editor** button to switch to a single line editor (defining a **Constant** expression). Else you would get an error message (*Unsupported expression type for testing: ...*).

   Set the **Query or Batch Script** field in the next page:

   ```
   SELECT * FROM application;
   ```

9. Click **Test configuration**. It will throw the following error: **java.lang.reflect.InvocationTargetException org.bonitasoft.engine.exception.BonitaRuntimeException: java.lang.ClassCastException: com.mysql.jdbc.JDBC4ResultSet cannot be cast to java.io.Serializable**. The reason for this is that we first have to process the **JDBC4ResultSet** object to a serializable representation.

10. On the **Output operations definition page** set that the **applications** variable takes the value of a Groovy script. The content of the script is the following:

    ```
    def res = []
    while (resultset.next()) {
      res.add(resultset.getString("name"))
    }
    res
    ```

    Set the return type to `java.util.List`

11. Use the **Back** button and press **Test**. The connector should work now and list the applications available in the database.

1.4 Web Services

1. You can start the Tomcat server with the `Start Tomcat` shortcut on the Desktop. The WAR files in the `C:\tomcat\webapps` directory are deployed.

2. You may wish to set the port configuration of the server in the `server.xml`. In the laboratory, we used the following configuration: `Connector port="80" protocol="HTTP/1.1"`, `Connector port="89" protocol="AJP/1.3"`.)

3. On the Tomcat server, you have two web applications available: a JAX-WS SOA web service and a JAX-RS REST web service. Both offer the same functionality: they generate an arbitrary number of `Application` objects.

1.4.1 SOA Web Service

To test the SOA web service, open the **Google Chrome** browser and start the **Advanced REST Client** plug-in. Set the **URL** to http://localhost:80/appstore-ws/services/ApplicationManager and the **HTTP method** to **POST**. Add a header field `SOAPAction` (with an empty value) to the **Headers**. Paste the following code to the **Payload** field.

```
<?xml version="1.0" encoding="UTF-8" standalone="no"?>
<soapenv:Envelope xmlns:soapenv="http://schemas.xmlsoap.org/soap/envelope/"
  xmlns:xsd="http://www.w3.org/2001/XMLSchema"
  xmlns:xsi="http://www.w3.org/2001/XMLSchema-instance">
  <soapenv:Body>
    <generateApplications xmlns="http://ws.server.appstore.inf.mit.bme.hu">
      <count>20</count>
    </generateApplications>
  </soapenv:Body>
</soapenv:Envelope>
```

Notes: we can generate the SOA envelope with the **Eclipse WTP platform**. If you generate the client (as seen in the *web service laboratory*), you can observe the SOA envelope in the **TCP/IP monitor**.

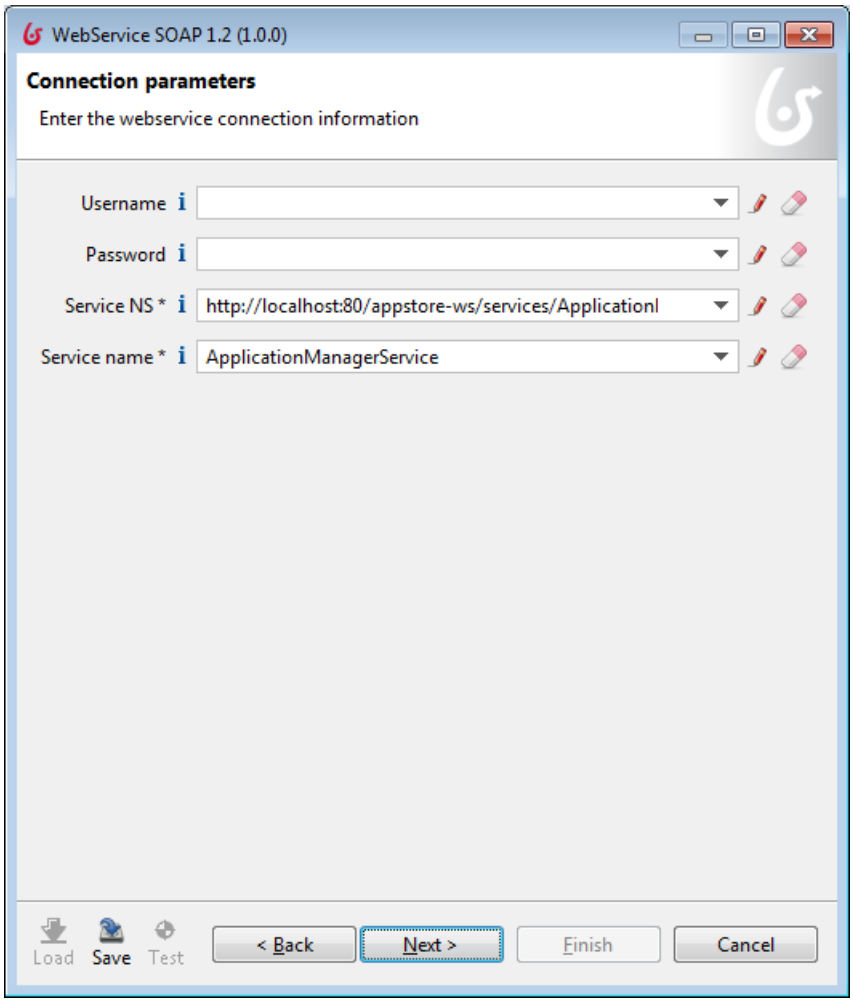

Figure 1.2: SOA web service

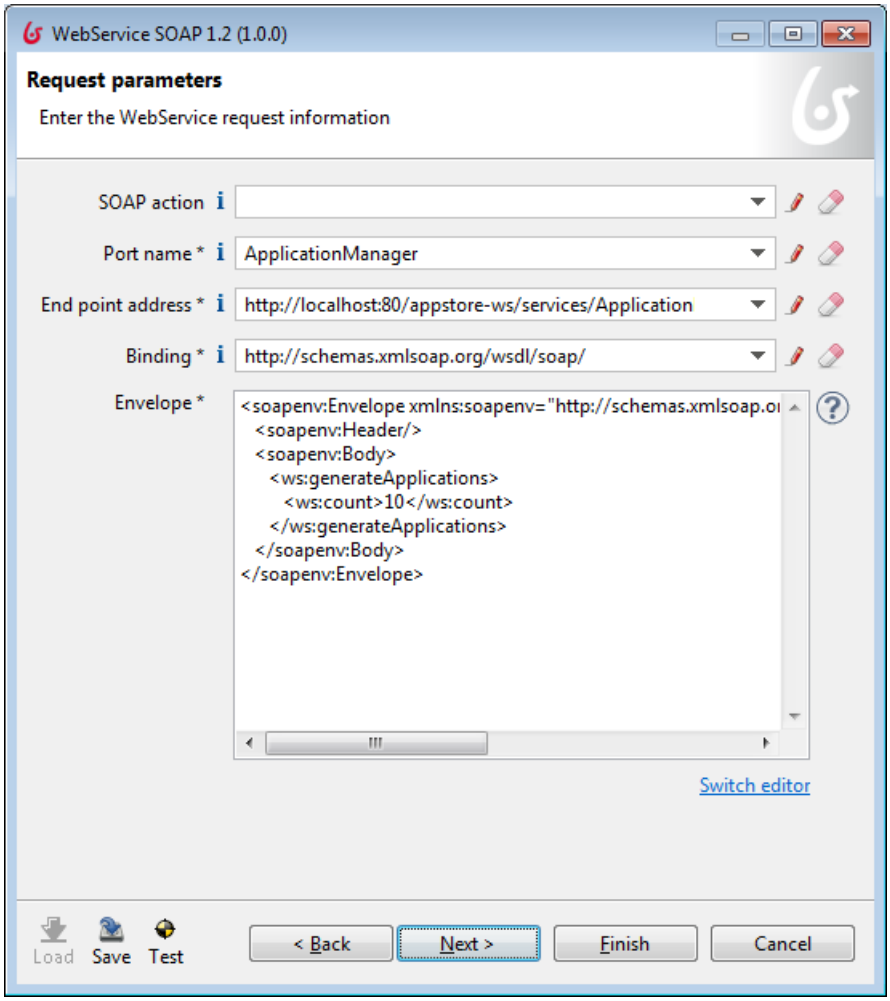

Figure 1.3: SOA web service

SoapUI

SoapUI (http://www.soapui.org/) is a tool capable of generating SOA envelopes from the WSDL file.

Just create a **New SOAP Project**, add the `ApplicationManager.wsdl` WSDL file as **Initial WSDL**. Tick **Create Requests** and click **OK**. The SOA envelope will be generated.

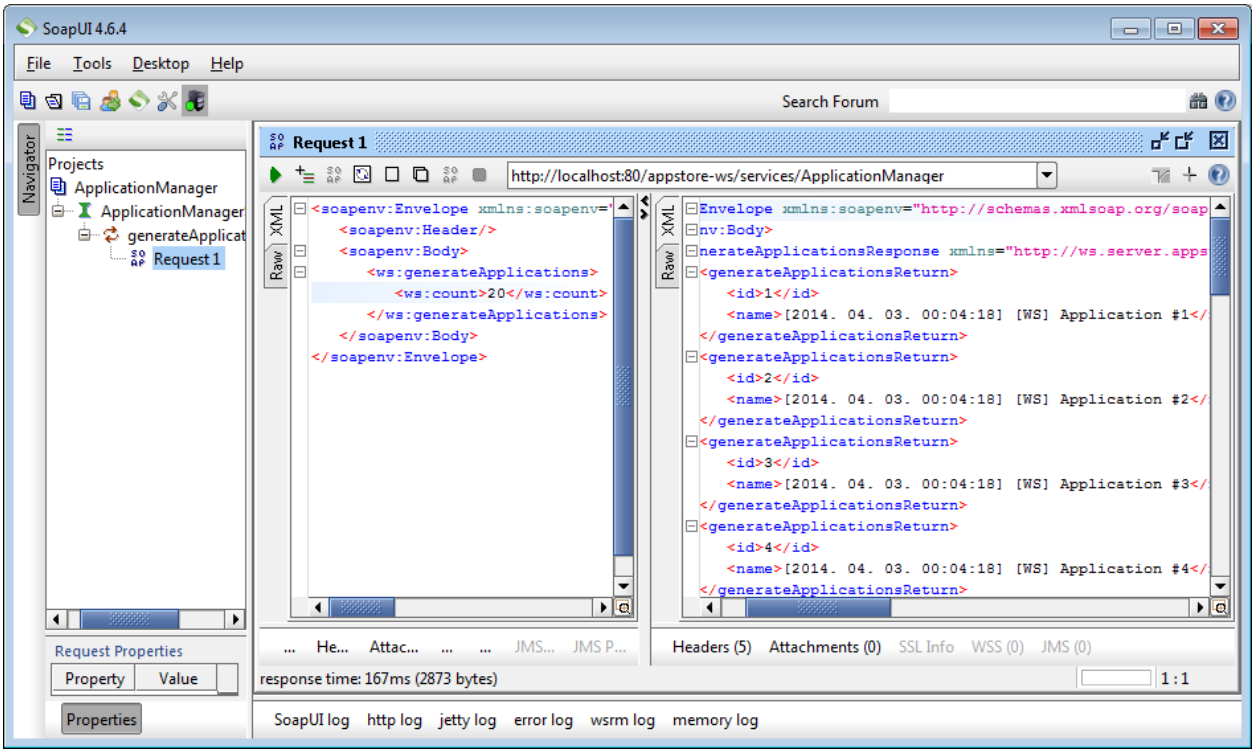

Figure 1.4: SOA web service

1.4.2 REST Web Service

To observe the REST web service, simply visit http://localhost:80/appstore-rest/rest/applicationmanager/generate/20.

1.5 Creating a SOAP Connector

1. Go to **Connectors**, **Add...** and add a **SOAP Web Services | WebService SOAP 1.2** and name it `ApplicationRestConnector`.

   - Service NS: `http://localhost:80/appstore-ws/services/ApplicationManager`
   - Service name: `ApplicationManagerService`
   - Port name: `ApplicationManager`
   - End point address: as above, `http://localhost:80/appstore-ws/services/ApplicationManager`
   - Binding: `http://www.w3.org/2003/05/soap/bindings/HTTP/`
   - Envelope: same XML as above.

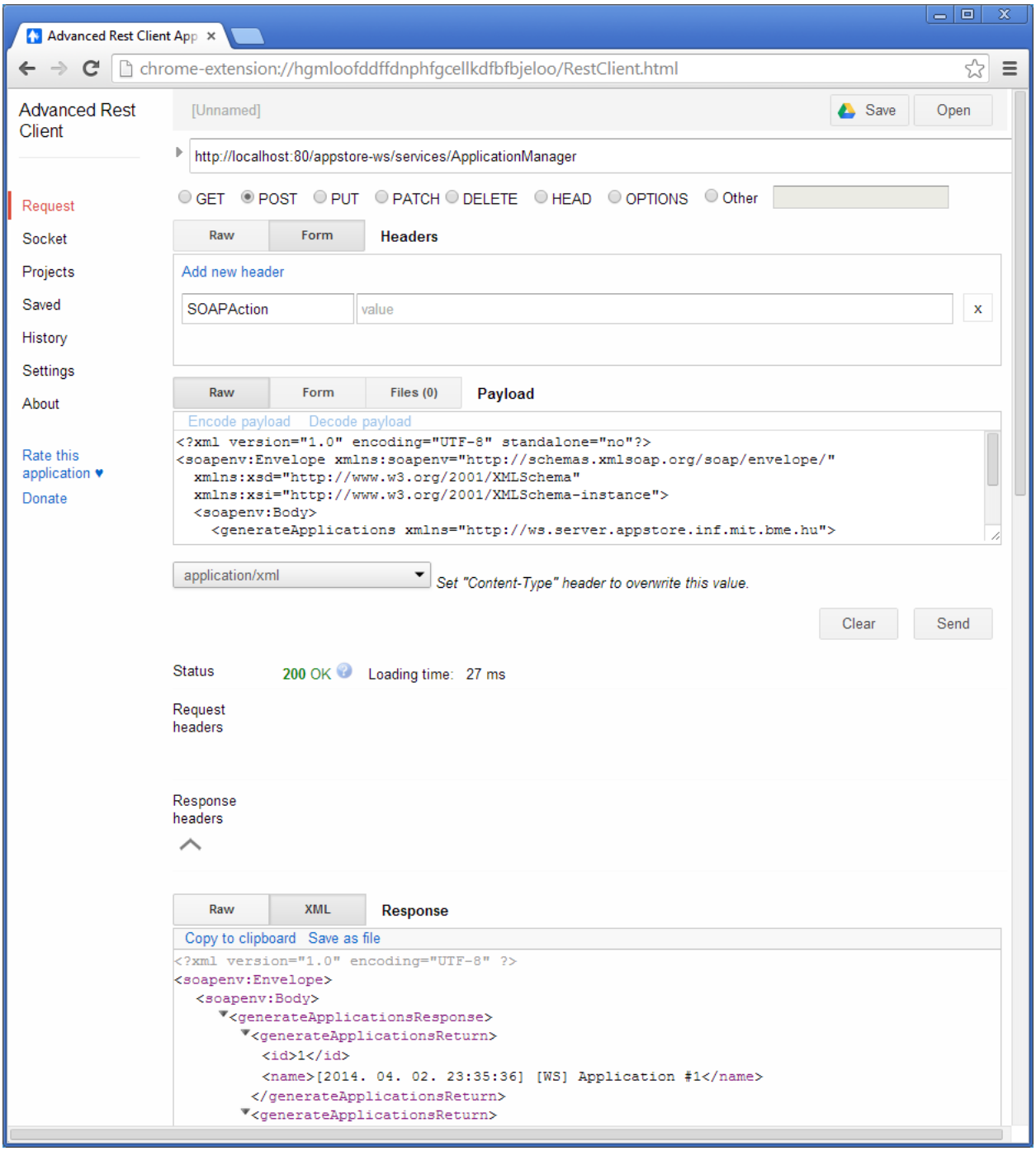

Figure 1.5: Using the **Advanced REST client** for accessing the REST service

2. If you encounter the following exception, change the envelope accordingly: *Caused by: com.sun.xml.internal.ws.protocol.soap.VersionMismatchException.: Couldn't create SOAP message. Expecting Envelope in namespace http://www.w3.org/2003/05/soap-envelope, but got http://schemas.xmlsoap.org/soap/envelope/ ( ).*

3. The exception indicates that the error is in the `SecureWSConnector` class. A quick web search will guide you to the source code of the class: https://github.com/bonitasoft/bonita-connector-webservice/blob/master/bonita-connector-webservice-impl/src/main/java/org/bonitasoft/connectors/ws/cxf/SecureWSConnector.java.

4. As of now, the error is unresolved. Please drop an email to the author if you have found the solution.

1.6 Creating a REST Connector

1. Create a new implementation for the **ApplicationConnector** definition.

2. Edit the Java code to get the following:

```
@Override
protected void executeBusinessLogic() throws ConnectorException {
  ArrayList<String> results;
  URL url;
  try {
    url = new URL("http://localhost:80/appstore-rest/rest/applicationmanager/generate/3");
  } catch (MalformedURLException e1) {
    throw new ConnectorException(e1);
  }
  URLConnection connection;
  try {
    connection = url.openConnection();
    Document document = parseXmlDom(connection.getInputStream());
    results = new ArrayList<String>();
    NodeList apps = document.getElementsByTagName("applications").item(0)
        .getChildNodes();
    for (int i = 0; i < apps.getLength(); i++) {
      results.add(apps.item(i).getTextContent());
    }
  } catch (IOException e) {
    throw new ConnectorException(e);
  }

  setResults(results);
}

public static Document parseXmlDom(InputStream is) {
  Document document = null;
  try {
    // getting the default implementation of DOM builder
    DocumentBuilderFactory dbf = DocumentBuilderFactory.newInstance();
    dbf.setValidating(false);
    dbf.setIgnoringComments(true);
    dbf.setIgnoringElementContentWhitespace(true);
    dbf.setNamespaceAware(true);
    DocumentBuilder builder = dbf.newDocumentBuilder();
```

```
        // parsing the XML file
        document = builder.parse(is);
      } catch (Exception e) {
        // catching all exceptions
        System.out.println(e.toString());
      }
      return document;
    }
```

1.7 Working with Bonita from Java

You can work with a Bonita workflow from java using by using the following dependency. The corresponding dependency is:

```
<dependency>
    <groupId>org.bonitasoft.engine</groupId>
    <artifactId>bonita-client</artifactId>
    <version>6.2.6</version>
</dependency>
```

Do not forget to set the version to the actual version number of your Bonita installation.

The `BonitaAPI.zip` file in https://svn.inf.mit.bme.hu/edu/trunk/mdsd/handout/public/2014/bonita_connector_materials/ contains an example Java code.