Eclipse Scout

Release Notes

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Overview

Eclipse Scout 7.0 will be the Eclipse Oxygen release. The latest stable version is *Oxygen.RC1* (7.0.0.005_RC1). The official release for Eclipse Oxygen will be released in June 2017. See also https://wiki.eclipse.org/Oxygen/Simultaneous_Release_Plan for the release schedule.

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• Runtime on Maven Central: 7.0.0.005_RC1

What's New

This document shows some of the new features delivered with the release 7.0. The release contains a lot of bugfixes and even some features not mentioned here. If you are interested in the detailed change log see https://github.com/eclipse/scout.rt/compare/releases/6.1.x...releases/7.0.x.



If you upgrade from version 6.0, also see the release notes for the 6.1 release. https://eclipsescout.github.io/6.1/release-notes.html

Upgrade to jQuery 3

We upgraded from jQuery 2.1.4 to jQuery 3.2.1. The new version contains a lot of improvements, including performance optimizations for animations and event handling. It also allowed us to remove some code which is now included in jQuery directly (e.g. addClassSVG, removeClassSVG, hasClassSVG).

Beside upgrading jQuery, we upgraded the Jasmine Maven Plugin to version 2.2 and the PhantomJS Maven Plugin to version 2.1.1, too. The YUI compressor has also been upgraded from 2.4.8 to version 2.4.9, but unfortunately it is not compatible with jQuery 3. To make it work again we had to fork it and now use the version 2.4.9-BSI-1.

Along with the jQuery upgrade we decided to remove jQuery UI and jQuery Mobile completely. Scout only included parts of these libraries and the usage was limited to 2 or 3 functions. Without these dependencies it will be easier in the future to upgrade jQuery itself.

Validators, Parser and Formatter (JS)

The ValueField.js now provides an API to add custom parse, validate and format logic. This is especially useful for the StringField, but you may also use it for the NumberField and the DateField. See the technical guide for details.

Simplified API (JS)

The parameter \$parent is now optional when calling widget.render(). The \$parent may be resolved using this.parent. No need to always write widget.render(this.\$container) anymore, instead just

write widget.render() if the \$container of the parent should be used as \$parent.

The property change event has been simplified. Instead of newProperties, oldProperties and changedProperties, the event now contains propertyName, oldValue and newValue. This makes handling the event easier.

DateField, StringField and NumberField now use the value based API provided by ValueField. This means you can write the value using field.setValue(value), and read it using field.value. The validators and formatter will be called accordingly.

Logical Grid Validation (JS)

When writing a Scout Form with Java, you don't have to care about the logical grid. You only have to specify some grid hints like width and height of a cell. The positioning of the cell is calculated automatically by the logical grid.

This is now also possible with JS based Scout applications. There is no need to manually create a Logical Grid (e.g. VerticalSmartGroupBoxBodyGrid or HorizontalGroupBoxBodyGrid and validate it anymore, this will be done automatically by the LogicalGridLayout itself.

Prevent double clicks on buttons and menus

If a button or a menu is clicked twice within a short period of time, the corresponding action is executed twice. This can be convenient (e.g. when inserting new rows in a table) or unproblematic (e.g. when closing a form - the second click will just be ignored). However, there are cases where executing an action twice would break things. To instruct the UI to block double clicks, a new property "preventDoubleClick" is provided on buttons and menus:

- AbstractButton.getConfiguredPreventDoubleClick()
- AbstractMenu.getConfiguredPreventDoubleClick()

The default value is false.

New HTTP abstraction layer Google HTTP Client for Java.

The org.eclipse.scout.rt.shared.servicetunnel.http.HttpServiceTunnel class and other HTTP usages were changed to use the Google HTTP Client Library for Java 1.22. This library adds a HTTP abstraction layer and allows to use different low-level libraries like java.net.HttpURLConnection (one and only layer used in previous versions) or Apache HTTP Client 4.5.3 (new default).

Different HTTP clients with different parameters (even with different low-level libraries) may be used and kept using (custom) implementations of org.eclipse.scout.rt.shared.http.IHttpTransportManager. Currently there are two internal implementations of this interface: HttpServiceTunnelTransportManager (only used by the service tunnel) and DefaultHttpTransportManager (used for all other HTTP connections).

The following new configuration properties (none of them is required to be set, defaults are provided for all of them) were added:

• scout.http.transport_factory, possible values are org.eclipse.scout.rt.shared.http.ApacheHttpTransportFactory (default, see above), org.eclipse.scout.rt.shared.http.NetHttpTransportFactory (to use previous HttpURLConnection layer) or any custom implementation of an org.eclipse.scout.rt.shared.http.IHttpTransportFactory.

For the HttpServiceTunnelTransportManager:

- org.eclipse.scout.rt.servicetunnel.apache_connection_time_to_live, time to live (milliseconds) for kept alive connections (default: 1 hour, only applicable for Apache HTTP Client).
- org.eclipse.scout.rt.servicetunnel.apache_max_connections_per_route, maximum number of connections per route (default: 2048, only applicable for for Apache HTTP Client).
- org.eclipse.scout.rt.servicetunnel.apache_max_connections_total, maximum number of connections in total (default: 2048, only applicable for for Apache HTTP Client).

For the DefaultHttpTransportManager:

- scout.http.apache_connection_time_to_live, time to live (milliseconds) for kept alive connections (default: 1 hour, only applicable for Apache HTTP Client).
- scout.http.apache_max_connections_per_route, maximum number of connections per route (default: 32, only applicable for Apache HTTP Client).
- scout.http.apache_max_connections_total, maximum number of connections in total (default: 128, only applicable for Apache HTTP Client).

For each Apache HTTP Client created using the org.eclipse.scout.rt.shared.http.ApacheHttpTransportFactory (by default each org.eclipse.scout.rt.shared.http.IHttpTransportManager using the Apache HTTP Client) their own org.eclipse.scout.rt.shared.http.ApacheMultiSessionCookieStore and org.eclipse.scout.rt.shared.http.proxy.ConfigurableProxySelector (see javadoc for detailed description and configurability) are created. These instances are therefore not registered globally for the java virtual machine anymore.



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