

# SCHEMATA

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# 1 Introduction

Generic purpose schema library for serialization and validation of data.

This library is used by CL-REST-SERVER for API serialization and validation.

It features:

- Validation using schemas.
- Serialization and unserialization using schemas.
- Generation of (random) data from schemas. (incomplete implementation atm)
- JSON-Schema parsing (incomplete implementation atm).
- Integration with Common Lisp type system.
- A schema class metaclass.

## 2 Installation

With Quicklisp:

```
(ql:quickload "schemata")
```

## 3 Usage

### 3.1 Schema definition

Use [DEFSHEMA], page 8 for defining schemas.

Schema example:

```
(schemata:defschema customer
  (object "customer"
    ((id string :external-name "id" :accessor
       customer-id :documentation "customer id")
     (number string :external-name "number" :required nil
        :accessor customer-nr :documentation
        "customer number")
     (name string :external-name "name" :accessor
        customer-name :documentation "customer name")
     (address-1 string :external-name "address1"
        :required nil :documentation
        "customer first address")
     (address-2 string :external-name "address2"
        :required nil :documentation
        "customer second address")
     (postal-code string :external-name "postalcode"
        :required nil :documentation
        "postal code")
     (postal-area string :external-name "postalarea"
        :required nil :documentation
        "postal area")
     (country string :external-name "country" :required nil
        :documentation "country code")
     (phone string :external-name "phone" :required nil
        :documentation "phone")
     (fax string :external-name "fax" :required nil
        :documentation "fax")
     (email string :external-name "email" :required nil
        :documentation "email"))
    (:documentation "customer data fetched")))
```

### 3.2 Validation using schemas

Use [VALIDATE-WITH-SCHEMA], page 9.

### 3.3 Serialization using schemas

Via *generic-serializer* library.

Use [SERIALIZE-WITH-SCHEMA], page 9.

```
(with-output-to-string (s)
```

```
(gs:with-serializer-output s
  (gs:with-serializer :json
    (serialize-with-schema *schema* user))))
(with-output-to-string (s)
  (gs:with-serializer-output s
    (gs:with-serializer :json
      (serialize-with-schema
        (find-schema 'user-schema) *user*))))
```

### 3.4 Unserialization using schemas

Use [UNSERIALIZE-WITH-SCHEMA], page 8.

```
(unserialize-with-schema
  (find-schema 'user-schema)
  (json:decode-json-from-string data)
  :json)
```

### 3.5 Patch and updates

See [PATCH-WITH-SCHEMA], page 9 and [POPULATE-WITH-SCHEMA], page 9.

## 4 Schema types

### 4.1 Type schemas

Schemas can be built from Common Lisp types:

```
SCHEMATA> (defparameter *s* (schema string))
*S*
SCHEMATA> *s*
#<TYPE-SCHEMA STRING {1006FBBD13}>
SCHEMATA> (validate-with-schema *s* "22")
NIL
SCHEMATA> (validate-with-schema *s* 22 :error-p nil)
#<VALIDATION-ERROR "~s is not of type: ~a" {100152EB13}>
```

### 4.2 Object schema

Object schemas are built using the syntax: (object name attributes options). Attributes are specified as: (attribute-name attribute-type &rest options).

The `attribute-type` is parsed as a schema.

Possible attribute options are: ‘required’, ‘required-message’, ‘default’, ‘accessor’, ‘writer’, ‘reader’, ‘parser’, ‘validator’, ‘add-validator’, ‘formatter’, ‘external-name’, ‘serializer’, ‘unserializer’, ‘slot’.

Example:

```
SCHEMATA> (schema (object person
                    ((name string)
                     (age integer :required nil))))
#<OBJECT-SCHEMA {1001843543}>
```

### 4.3 List schema

Homogeneous list of schemas are specified via `list-of`.

Example:

```
SCHEMATA> (defparameter *s* (schema (list-of integer)))
*S*
SCHEMATA> (validate-with-schema *s* '(1 2 "foo"))
; Evaluation aborted on #<SCHEMATA:VALIDATION-ERROR "~s is not of type: ~a" {1006ECA323}>.
SCHEMATA> (validate-with-schema *s* '(1 2 3))
NIL
```

### 4.4 Schema references

Defined schemas can be referenced via either ‘(schema schema-name)’ or ‘(ref schema-name)’ (they are identical).

Example:

```
SCHEMATA> (defschema person
```



```

      (object person
        ((name string))))
#<OBJECT-SCHEMA {1006F8A813}>
SCHEMATA> (defparameter *list-of-person* (schema (list-of (ref person))))
*LIST-OF-PERSON*
SCHEMATA> *list-of-person*
#<LIST-SCHEMA {1006F8C2A3}>
SCHEMATA> (parse-with-schema *list-of-person* '(((("name" . "Mariano")) ((("name" . "Peter"))
(((NAME . "Mariano")) ((NAME . "Peter"))))
SCHEMATA> (validate-with-schema *list-of-person* '(((("name" . 22)) ((("name" . "Peter")))))
; processing (DEFMETHOD SCHEMA-VALIDATE ...); Evaluation aborted on #<SB-PCL::NO-APPLICABLE
SCHEMATA> (validate-with-schema *list-of-person* '(((("name" . 22)) ((("name" . "Peter")))))
; Evaluation aborted on #<SCHEMATA:VALIDATION-ERROR "~s is not of type: ~a" {10082EB883}>..
SCHEMATA> (validate-with-schema *list-of-person* '(((("name" . "Mariano")) ((("name" . "Peter
NIL
SCHEMATA> (validate-with-schema *list-of-person* '(((("names" . "Mariano")) ((("name" . "Pete
; Evaluation aborted on #<SCHEMATA:VALIDATION-ERROR "Attributes not part of schema: ~a" {10

```

## 4.5 SATISFIES-SCHEMA type

Schemata integrates with the Lisp type system via the SATISFIES-SCHEMA type. Schemas can be thought as types over data. Defined schemas can be checked using TYPEP and CHECK-TYPE with the type ‘(satisfies-schema schema-name)’.

Example:

```

SCHEMATA> (defschema string-schema string)
#<TYPE-SCHEMA STRING {10019DA8B3}>
SCHEMATA> (typep "foo" '(satisfies-schema string-schema))
T
SCHEMATA> (typep 22 '(satisfies-schema string-schema))
NIL
SCHEMATA> (let ((x "foo"))
  (check-type x (satisfies-schema string-schema))
  x)
"foo"

```

## 4.6 SCHEMA-CLASS metaclass

SCHEMA-CLASS classes get an schema attached.

Example:

```

SCHEMATA> (def-schema-class person ()
  ((name :type string :initarg :name)
   (age :type integer :required nil :initarg :age)))
#<SCHEMA-CLASS SCHEMATA::PERSON>

SCHEMATA> (validate-with-schema (find-class 'person) '(((("name" . "Mariano") ("age" . 22))))
NIL

```

```
SCHEMATA> (validate-with-schema (find-class 'person) '(("name" . "Mariano") ("age" . 'asdf))  
#<VALIDATION-ERROR 'ASDF is not of type: INTEGER {100109F833}>
```

```
SCHEMATA> (generic-serializer:with-serializer :json  
            (generic-serializer:serialize (make-instance 'person :name "Mariano" :age 44)))  
{"name":"Mariano","age":44}
```

## 5 Reference

### 5.1 SCHEMATA package

SCHEMATA [PACKAGE]

#### External definitions

##### Macros

SCHEMATA:DEFSHEMA (*name schema*) [Macro]  
 Register SCHEMA under NAME. The schema can then be accessed via  
 FIND-SCHEMA.

SCHEMATA:DEF-SCHEMA-CLASS (*name direct-superclasses direct-slots* [Macro]  
*&rest options*)  
 Helper macro to define schema classes

SCHEMATA:SCHEMA (*schema-def*) [Macro]  
 Wrapper macro for schema definitions.

##### Generic functions

SCHEMATA:PARSE-WITH-SCHEMA (*schema string-or-data*) [Generic-Function]  
 Parses the string to an association list using the schema

SCHEMATA:ATTRIBUTE-NAME (*sb-pcl::object*) [Generic-Function]

SCHEMATA:UNSERIALIZE-WITH-SCHEMA (*schema data format*) [Generic-Function]

SCHEMATA:SCHEMA-DOCUMENTATION (*sb-pcl::object*) [Generic-Function]

SCHEMATA:OBJECT-CLASS (*sb-pcl::object*) [Generic-Function]

SCHEMATA:ATTRIBUTE-PARSER (*sb-pcl::object*) [Generic-Function]

SCHEMATA:ATTRIBUTE-VALIDATOR (*sb-pcl::object*) [Generic-Function]

SCHEMATA:ATTRIBUTE-ADD-VALIDATOR (*sb-pcl::object*) [Generic-Function]

SCHEMATA:ATTRIBUTE-EXTERNAL-NAME (*sb-pcl::object*) [Generic-Function]

SCHEMATA:SCHEMA-TYPE (*sb-pcl::object*) [Generic-Function]

SCHEMATA:ATTRIBUTE-FORMATTER (*sb-pcl::object*) [Generic-Function]

SCHEMATA:OBJECT-NAME (*sb-pcl::object*) [Generic-Function]

SCHEMATA:OBJECT-ATTRIBUTES (*sb-pcl::object*) [Generic-Function]

SCHEMATA:ATTRIBUTE-ACCESSOR (*sb-pcl::object*) [Generic-Function]

SCHEMATA:ATTRIBUTE-TYPE (*sb-pcl::object*) [Generic-Function]

SCHEMATA:ATTRIBUTE-REQUIRED-P (*sb-pcl::object*) [Generic-Function]

## Functions

SCHEMATA:ATTRIBUTE-READER (*attribute*) [Function]

SCHEMATA:FIND-OBJECT-ATTRIBUTE (*object attribute-name &key* [Function]  
(*error-p t*))

SCHEMATA:POPULATE-WITH-SCHEMA (*schema object data &key* [Function]  
*exclude*)

Populate CLOS objects from data + schema. Attributes members of EXCLUDE parameter are not populated.

SCHEMATA:SCHEMA-CLASS-SCHEMA (*schema-class*) [Function]  
Generate a schema using the schema class meta info

SCHEMATA:SERIALIZE-WITH-SCHEMA (*schema input &optional* [Function]  
(*serializer generic-serializer::\*serializer\**) (*stream*  
*generic-serializer::\*serializer-output\**))

SCHEMATA:SCHEMA-SPEC (*schema*) [Function]

SCHEMATA:ATTRIBUTE-TYPE-NAME (*attribute*) [Function]

SCHEMATA:VALIDATION-ERROR (*message &rest args*) [Function]

SCHEMATA:VALIDATE-WITH-SCHEMA (*schema data &key* (*collect-errors* [Function]  
*\*collect-validation-errors\**) (*error-p \*signal-validation-errors\**))

Validate input using schema. Useful for validating resource operations posted content (for :post and :put methods). Input can be a string or an association list.

Args: - schema (symbol or schema): The schema - data (alist): The data to validate.  
- format (keyword): The data format. - collect-errors (boolean): If true, collect all the validation errors. If false, return the first validation error found. Default: true.  
- error-p (boolean): If true, when validation errors are found, a validation error is signaled. If false, the validation errors are returned as the function result and no error is signaled.

SCHEMATA:ATTRIBUTE-OPTIONAL-P (*attribute*) [Function]

SCHEMATA:ATTRIBUTE-WRITER (*attribute*) [Function]

SCHEMATA:FIND-SCHEMA (*name &optional* (*errorp t*) [Function]  
Find a schema definition by name

SCHEMATA:PATCH-WITH-SCHEMA (*schema object data*) [Function]

Populate CLOS objects from data + schema. Only populates attributes available in DATA, validating them. Useful for PATCH rest api operations implementations. DATA should be an association list.

## Classes

SCHEMATA:OBJECT-SCHEMA [Class]

Class precedence list: `object-schema`, `schema`, `standard-object`, `t`

Slots:

- **name** — type: (or string symbol); initarg: :name; reader: schemata:object-name; writer: (setf schemata:object-name)  
The name of the object.
- **attributes** — type: list; initarg: :attributes; reader: schemata:object-attributes; writer: (setf schemata:object-attributes)
- **class** — type: (or null symbol); initarg: :class; reader: schemata:object-class; writer: (setf schemata:object-class)
- **ignore-unknown-attributes** — type: boolean; initarg: :ignore-unknown-attributes; reader: schemata::ignore-unknown-attributes; writer: (setf schemata::ignore-unknown-attributes)
- **serializer** — type: (or null trivial-types:function-designator); initarg: :serializer; reader: schemata::object-serializer; writer: (setf schemata::object-serializer)
- **unserializer** — type: (or null trivial-types:function-designator); initarg: :unserializer; reader: schemata::object-unserializer; writer: (setf schemata::object-unserializer)

**SCHEMATA:SCHEMA-REFERENCE-SCHEMA** [Class]

Class precedence list: schema-reference-schema, schema, standard-object, t

Slots:

- **name** — type: symbol; initarg: :schema-name; reader: schemata::schema-name; writer: (setf schemata::schema-name)

**SCHEMATA:LIST-SCHEMA** [Class]

Class precedence list: list-schema, schema, standard-object, t

Slots:

- **elements-schema** — type: (not null); initarg: :elements-schema; reader: schemata::elements-schema; writer: (setf schemata::elements-schema)  
Schema of the elements of the list

**SCHEMATA:VALIDATION-ERROR** [Class]

Class precedence list: validation-error, error, serious-condition, condition, t

**SCHEMATA:ATTRIBUTE** [Class]

Class precedence list: attribute, schema, attribute-properties, standard-object, t

Slots:

- **name** — type: symbol; initarg: :name; reader: schemata:attribute-name; writer: (setf schemata:attribute-name)
- **type** — type: schemata:schema; initarg: :type; reader: schemata:attribute-type; writer: (setf schemata:attribute-type)
- **accessor** — type: (or null symbol); initarg: :accessor; reader: schemata:attribute-accessor; writer: (setf schemata:attribute-accessor)

- `writer` — type: (or null trivial-types:function-designator); initarg: `:writer`
- `reader` — type: (or null trivial-types:function-designator); initarg: `:reader`
- `slot` — type: (or null symbol); initarg: `:slot`; reader: `schemata::attribute-slot`; writer: (setf `schemata::attribute-slot`)

**SCHEMATA:TYPE-SCHEMA** [Class]

Class precedence list: `type-schema`, `schema`, `standard-object`, `t`

Slots:

- `type` — type: `t`; initarg: `:type`; reader: `schemata:schema-type`; writer: (setf `schemata:schema-type`)

**SCHEMATA:SCHEMA** [Class]

Class precedence list: `schema`, `standard-object`, `t`

Slots:

- `documentation` — type: (or null string); initarg: `:documentation`; reader: `schemata:schema-documentation`; writer: (setf `schemata:schema-documentation`)
- `generator` — type: `t`; initarg: `:generator`; reader: `schemata::schema-generator`; writer: (setf `schemata::schema-generator`)

**SCHEMATA:SCHEMA-OBJECT** [Class]

Class precedence list: `schema-object`, `standard-object`, `t`

**SCHEMATA:SCHEMA-CLASS** [Class]

Metaclass for schema objects

Class precedence list: `schema-class`, `standard-class`, `class`, `specializer`, `metaobject`, `standard-object`, `t`

Slots:

- `schema-name` — type: (or null string symbol); initarg: `:schema-name`; reader: `schemata::schema-name`; writer: (setf `schemata::schema-name`)

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