Java 6 standard edition Package List

Based on the package descriptions available at http://java.sun.com/javase/6/docs/api/

Essential Core Packages

Classes that are fundamental to the design of the Java programming language. java.lang iava.util

Contains the collections framework, legacy collection classes, event model, date and time facilities.

internationalization, miscellaneous utility classes (a string tokenizer, a random-number generator).

System input and output through data streams, serialization and the file system. iava.io Arbitrary-precision integer (BigInteger) and decimal (BigDecimal) arithmetic. iava.math

For handling text, dates, numbers, and messages in a manner independent of natural languages.

java.text

Service provider classes for the classes in the java.text package. java.text.spi

Concurrency Support

Utility classes commonly useful in concurrent programming. java.util.concurrent

java.util.concurrent.atomic Toolkit supporting lock-free thread-safe programming on single variables. Framework for locking and waiting for conditions that is distinct from the java.util.concurrent.locks

built-in synchronization and monitors.

SQL and Transactions

API for accessing and processing data stored in a data source (e.g. a relational database). java.sql

Provides the API for server side data source access and processing from Java. javax.sql

Standard interfaces and base classes for JDBC RowSet implementations. javax.sql.rowset javax.sql.rowset.serial Utility classes to allow serializable mappings between SQL types and Java data types.

Third party vendor support for their implementation of a synchronization provider. javax.sql.rowset.spi

Miscellaneous Utilities

Classes for reading and writing the JAR (Java ARchive) file format, java.util.jar

java.util.logging

java.security

javax.crypto

java.security.cert

javax.crypto.interfaces

javax.xml.crypto.dsig.dom

javax.xml.crypto.dsig.spec

org.ietf.jgss

javax.xml.crypto.dsig.keyinfo

which is based on the standard ZIP file format with an optional manifest file. Classes and interfaces of the JavaTM 2 platform's core logging facilities.

Allows applications to store and retrieve user and system preference and configuration data. java.util.prefs

Classes for matching character sequences against patterns specified by regular expressions. iava.util.regex

java.util.spi Service provider classes for the classes in the java.util package.

java.util.zip Classes for reading and writing the standard ZIP and GZIP file formats.

Scripting API, defines Scripting Engines and provides framework for their use. javax.script

Security and Cryptography

Classes and interfaces for the security framework.

This package has been superseded by the java.security package. iava.security.acl

Handling certificates, certificate revocation lists (CRLs), and certification paths.

Interfaces for generating RSA and DSA keys. java.security.interfaces

Classes/interfaces for key specifications and algorithm parameter specifications. java.security.spec

Classes and interfaces for cryptographic operations.

Interfaces for Diffie-Hellman keys as defined in RSA Laboratories' PKCS #3.

javax.crypto.spec Classes/interfaces for key specifications and algorithm parameter specifications. This package provides a framework for authentication and authorization. javax.security.auth

iavax.security.auth.callback For application interaction, to display info (e.g. error and warning messages) or retrieve information (e.g. authentication data auch as usernames, passwords)

Utility classes related to the Kerberos network authentication protocol.

javax.security.auth.kerberos iavax.security.auth.login A pluggable authentication framework.

Interface to be used for implementing pluggable authentication modules. javax.security.auth.spi

javax.security.auth.x500 Classes to store X500 Principal and X500 Private Crendentials in a Subject.

javax.security.cert Provides classes for public key certificates.

javax.security.sasl Contains class and interfaces for supporting SASL.

javax.xml.crypto Common classes for XML cryptography.

DOM-specific classes for the javax.xml.crypto package. javax.xml.crypto.dom javax.xml.crypto.dsig Classes for generating and validating XML digital signatures.

> DOM-specific classes for the javax.xml.crypto.dsig package. Classes for parsing and processing KeyInfo elements and structures.

Parameter classes for XML digital signatures.

Unified API for using security services (e.g. authentication, data integrity,

data confidentiality) from various underlying security mechanisms like Kerberos.

I/O Facilities

Defines buffers (data containers), and overviews other NIO packages. java.nio

iava.nio.channels Defines channels (connections to entities offering I/O operations, e.g. files and sockets)

and selectors (for multiplexed, non-blocking I/O operations). Service-provider classes for the java.nio.channels package. java.nio.channels.spi

Charsets, decoders, and encoders, for translating between bytes and Unicode chars. java.nio.charset

java.nio.charset.spi Service-provider classes for the java.nio.charset package.

UI Accessibility

Contract between UI components and assistive technology that provides access to them.

AWT and Swing GUI facilities

Classes for creating user interfaces and for painting graphics and images.

iava.awt.color Classes for color spaces.

java.awt

iava.awt.datatransfer Interfaces and classes for transferring data between and within applications. java.awt.dnd Drag and Drop transfer of info between two entities linked to GUI elements. java.awt.event Interfaces and classes for dealing with events fired by AWT components.

Classes and interface relating to fonts. iava.awt.font

Java 2D classes for defining/performing 2-D geometry operations on objects. java.awt.geom

Classes and interfaces for the input method framework. java.awt.im

Interfaces for input methods that can be used with any Java runtime environment. java.awt.im.spi

Classes for creating and modifying images. java.awt.image

Classes and interfaces for producing rendering-independent images. iava.awt.image.renderable

java.awt.print Classes and interfaces for a general printing API.

"Lightweight" (all-Java) components that work similarly on all platforms. iavax.swing

Classes and interface for drawing specialized borders around a Swing component. javax.swing.border

iavax.swing.colorchooser Classes and interfaces used by the JColorChooser component.

javax.swing.event Events fired by Swing components.

Classes and interfaces used by the JFileChooser component. javax.swing.filechooser

iavax.swing.plaf Provides Swing with its pluggable look-and-feel capabilities.

javax.swing.plaf.basic User interface objects for the Basic look and feel.

javax.swing.plaf.metal User interface objects for the (default) Java look and feel (once codenamed Metal). javax.swing.plaf.multi User interface objects that combine two or more look and feels.

javax.swing.plaf.synth Synth is a skinnable look and feel in which all painting is delegated.

iavax.swing.table Classes and interfaces for dealing with javax.swing.JTable.

Classes and interfaces that deal with editable and noneditable text components. iavax.swing.text Class HTMLEditorKit and supporting classes for creating HTML text editors. javax.swing.text.html

iavax.swing.text.html.parser Default HTML parser, along with support classes.

javax.swing.text.rtf Class (RTFEditorKit) for creating Rich-Text-Format text editors. Classes and interfaces for dealing with javax.swing.JTree. iavax.swing.tree

Support for undo/redo in applications such as text editors. iavax.swing.undo

Image and Sound I/O

The main package of the Java Image I/O API. javax.imageio

For synchronous notification of events during the reading and writing of images. javax.imageio.event

javax.imageio.metadata Supports reading and writing metadata.

javax.imageio.plugins.bmp Public classes used by the built-in BMP plug-in. javax.imageio.plugins.jpeg Classes supporting the built-in JPEG plug-in.

javax.imageio.spi Plug-in interfaces for readers, writers, transcoders, streams, & a runtime registry.

javax.imageio.stream Supports low-level I/O from files and streams.

Interfaces and classes for I/O, sequencing, and synthesis of MIDI data. javax.sound.midi

iavax.sound.midi.spi Support for new MIDI devices, file readers & writers, sound bank readers. javax.sound.sampled Interfaces and classes for capture, processing, and playback of sampled audio data.

javax.sound.sampled.spi Support for new audio devices, sound file readers & writers, or audio format converters.

Print Service

iavax.print Principal classes and interfaces for the Java Print Service API.

javax.print.attribute Describing types of Print Service attributes and their collection into attribute sets.

iavax.print.attribute.standard contains classes for specific printing attributes.

iavax.print.event contains event classes and listener interfaces.

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Core XML constants and functionality from the XML specifications. javax.xml

JAXB Client applications' runtime bindings: unmarshalling, marshalling, validation. iavax.xml.bind Annotations for customizing Java program elements to XML Schema mapping. javax.xml.bind.annotation

XmlAdapter etc allow arbitrary Java classes to be used with JAXB. javax.xml.bind.annotation.adapters

MIME-based package processor for interpretation/creation of optimized binary data. javax.xml.bind.attachment javax.xml.bind.helpers JAXB Providers Only: partial default implementations for javax.xml.bind interfaces.

iavax.xml.bind.util Useful client utility classes. XML/Java Type Mappings. iavax.xml.datatvpe javax.xml.namespace XML Namespace processing.

iavax.xml.parsers Provides classes allowing the processing of XML documents.

javax.xml.stream javax.xml.stream.events iavax.xml.stream.util

javax.xml.transform APIs for processing transformation instructions & transforming source to result.

iavax.xml.transform.dom DOM-specific transformation APIs. SAX2-specific transformation APIs. iavax.xml.transform.sax iavax.xml.transform.stax Provides for StAX-specific transformation APIs. iavax.xml.transform.stream Stream- and URI- specific transformation APIs.

API for validation of XML documents. iavax.xml.validation

API for evaluating XPath expressions and accessing evaluation environment. javax.xml.xpath org.w3c.dom

Interfaces for Document Object Model (DOM) — part of JAXP

org.w3c.dom.bootstrap org.w3c.dom.events org.w3c.dom.ls

org.xml.sax The core SAX APIs.

org.xml.sax.ext Interfaces to SAX2 facilities that conformant SAX drivers won't necessarily support. org.xml.sax.helpers "Helper" classes, including support for bootstrapping SAX-based applications.

Applets and Web Services

Classes to create an applet and enable it to communicate with its applet context. java.applet

Java Web Services javax.jws

Support for SOAP and Java Web Services javax.jws.soap iavax.xml.soap The API for creating and building SOAP messages.

The core JAX-WS APIs. iavax.xml.ws

javax.xml.ws.handler Defines APIs for message handlers. iavax.xml.ws.handler.soap Defines APIs for SOAP message handlers. Defines APIs specific to the HTTP binding. javax.xml.ws.http Defines APIs specific to the SOAP binding. javax.xml.ws.soap

Defines SPIs for JAX-WS 2.0. javax.xml.ws.spi

Reflection, JVM Internals, Annotations and Language Modelling

Support for the Java programming language annotation facility. java.lang.annotation java.lang.instrument Services that allow Java agents to instrument programs running on the JVM. java.lang.management Monitoring/management interface for the JVM and underlying OS. java.lang.ref Reference-object classes for limited interaction with the garbage collector.

java.lang.reflect Classes/interfaces for obtaining reflective information about classes and objects. javax.annotation

javax.annotation.processing Annotation processor declaration and communication with a tool environment. Classes and hierarchies of packages used to model the Java programming language. iavax.lang.model

javax.lang.model.element Interfaces used to model elements of the Java programming language. javax.lang.model.type Interfaces used to model Java programming language types. iavax.lang.model.util Utilities to assist in the processing of program elements and types.

javax.tools Interfaces for tools which can be invoked from a program, for example, compilers.

Management Extensions

Core classes for the Java Management Extensions. javax.management

javax.management.loading Advanced dynamic loading.

javax.management.modelmbean Definition of the ModelMBean classes. Definition of the monitor classes. javax.management.monitor

Open data types and Open MBean descriptor classes. javax.management.openmbean javax.management.relation Definition of the Relation Service. javax.management.remote Interfaces for remote access to JMX MBean servers.

javax.management.remote.rmi JMX Remote API connector: transmit client requests to remote MBean server using RMI.

javax.management.timer Definition of the Timer MBean. **Networked and Distributed Programming**

Classes for implementing networking applications. java.net Provides classes for networking applications. iavax.net Provides classes for the secure socket package. javax.net.ssl

Provides the RMI package, for distributed programming using RPC. iava.rmi Support for RMI Object Activation. java.rmi.activation java.rmi.dgc Classes and interface for RMI distributed garbage-collection (DGC). Class and two interfaces for the RMI registry (simple name server). java.rmi.registry iava.rmi.server Classes and interfaces for supporting the server side of RMI.

iavax.rmi Contains user APIs for RMI-IIOP.

javax.rmi.CORBA Contains portability APIs for RMI-IIOP.

javax.rmi.ssl RMI client & server socket factories for SSL and TLS protocols. org.omg.stub.java.rmi RMI-IIOP Stubs for the Remote types that occur in the java.rmi package.

Provides the classes and interfaces for accessing naming services. javax.naming

Extends javax.naming to provide functionality for accessing directory services. javax.naming.directory Supports event notification when accessing naming and directory services. javax.naming.event

javax.naming.ldap Provides support for LDAPv3 extended operations and controls.

Gives dynamic plug-in support for accessing naming and directory services. javax.naming.spi

CORBA

Exceptions thrown by the ORB machinery during unmarshalling. Contract API for transaction manager (TM) & resource manager (RM), TM enlists/delists resource objects (from RM driver) in JTA transactions Activity service unmarshalling exceptions thrown by ORB machinery. Maps OMG CORBA APIs to Java, includes a fully-functional ORB.

Accommodates recent revisions to the CORBA API.

Input and output of value types, and updates org/omg/CORBA/portable. DynAny exceptions (InvalidValue, Invalid, InvalidSeq, TypeMismatch).

InvalidName and InconsistentTypeCode exceptions.

Exception classes for the org.omg.CosNaming package.

Dynamic module for OMG Portable Interceptor specification

Classes/exceptions from DvnAnv interface of DvnamicAnv

Generated from the IOP::Codec IDL interface definition.

Allows runtime traversal an any, extracting primitive constituents.

Classes/exceptions from DvnAnvFactory interface of DvnamicAnv

Exceptions for IOP::CodeFactory interface (PortableInterceptors spec)

Messaging module specified in the OMG CORBA Messaging spec

ORBInitInfo exceptions & typedefs (PortableInterceptor module)

Internal ORB hooks: services can intercept normal flow of execution.

Makes server side of applications portable across multivendor ORBs.

Access to the identity of the object on which the method was invoked.

Encapsulates the processing state of the POAs it is associated with.

Construct object implementations portable between different ORBs.

Makes server side of applications portable across multivendor ORBs.

Portability: code from one vendor can run on another vendor's ORB. User-defined BadKind and Bounds exceptions, used class TypeCode. Provides classes used in org.omg.CosNaming.NamingContextExt

org.omg.CORBA.TypeCodePackage org.omg.CosNaming Provides a naming service for Java IDL.

org.omg.CosNaming.NamingContextExtPackage

org.omg.CosNaming.NamingContextPackage

org.omg.Dynamic org.omg.DynamicAny

org.omg.DvnamicAnv.DvnAnvFactorvPackage

org.omg.DvnamicAnv.DvnAnvPackage

org.omg.IOP

iavax.transaction

org.omg.CORBA

org.omg.CORBA_2_3

org.omg.CORBA_2_3.portable

org.omg.CORBA.ORBPackage

org.omg.CORBA.portable

org.omg.CORBA.DynAnyPackage

iavax.activity

javax.transaction.xa

org.omg.IOP.CodecFactoryPackage org.omg.IOP.CodecPackage org.omg.Messaging

org.omg.PortableInterceptor

org.omg.PortableInterceptor.ORBInitInfoPackage

org.omg.PortableServer

org.omg.PortableServer.CurrentPackage org.omg.PortableServer.POAManagerPackage

org.omg.PortableServer.POAPackage org.omg.PortableServer.portable

org.omg.PortableServer.ServantLocatorPackage

org.omg.SendingContext org.omg.stub.java.rmi

Classes and interfaces for locating the servant. Support for marshalling of value types.

Contains RMI-IIOP Stubs for java.rmi Remote types

Component Management

IOP module

Bean development support. iava.beans

java.beans.beancontext Provides classes and interfaces relating to bean context.

javax.activation

This sheet lists the packages contained in Java SE 6. Other Java packages are available, including, for example: Java 3D, JMF, JMX, JWS, JINI, JXTA

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