

Web Service Standards

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- **Introduction**
- Base specifications
- Metadata specifications
- Notification specifications
- Other standards
- Conclusion

WS-* and Standardization

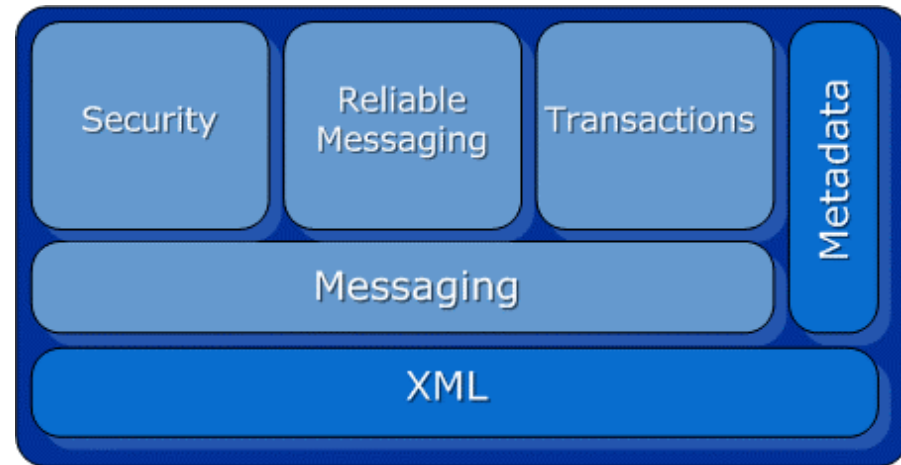
- Huge number of specifications
- Most documents are maintained by industry, without any standardization body
- Some documents are handled as W3C / OASIS member submission
- Small number as result of a W3C working group
- In some areas concurrent developments
(WS-Eventing vs. WS-Notification)
- Often joint work, especially for the fundamental specs (IBM, Microsoft, BEA; also Sun, SAP)

Web Service Toolkits

- Apache Axis / WSFX / Muse
- IBM Emerging Technologies Toolkit (ETTK)
- Microsoft Web Services Enhancements toolkit (WSE)
- Sun Java Java Web Services Developer Pack (WSDP)
- Verisign Trust Service Integration Kit (TSIK)

Microsoft & Web Services

- Security:
WS-Security, WS-Trust, WS-Federation
- Reliable Messaging:
WS-ReliableMessaging
- Transaction:
WS-Coordination,
WS-AtomicTransaction
- Messaging:
SOAP, WS-Addressing,
MTOM, WS-Eventing,
WS-Transfer
- Metadata:
WSDL, UDDI, WS-Policy



Don Box and WS-Why (XML DevCon 2004)

- **WS-DesertIsland** – “a must have” for core XML Web Services (XML, SOAP, WS-Addressing, WS-MetadataExchange & XSD+WSDL)
- **WS-IslandResort** - the next layer of important specs (WS-Security, WS-Trust, WS-ReliableMessaging & WS-Policy)
- **WS-NewZealand** - specs you'd probably need once in a lifetime (WS-Eventing, WS-Enumeration & WS-AtomicTransaction)

Don Box (contd.)

- **WS-IslandOfDoctorMoreau** - the ugly step children of the WS-* spec family (UDDI, WS-Transfer, WS-BusinessActivity, MTOM and BPEL4WS)
- **WS-FantasyIsland** - specs Don would love to see (XPath/SQL-like query for web services, SOAP over TCP, binary XML & WSDL based on RELAX NG)

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WS-Addressing

- W3C Member Submission (Microsoft, IBM, Sun, Bea, SAP), August 2004
- First public Working Draft in December 04
 - Core
 - SOAP binding
 - WSDL binding
- Multiple implementations (Apache Axis, IBM ETTK, Microsoft WSE, Systinet Server)
- Based on SOAP 1.2 and WSDL 2.0
- Successor to WS-Routing

WS-Addressing Goals

- Communication of information that is typically provided by transport protocols
 - Source and destination endpoint
 - Reply endpoint
 - Policy
- Transport-neutral message transmission through processing nodes (Firewall, Gateway)
- Identification of Web Service endpoints
- Enabling secure end-to-end identification
- Support for asynchronous and event-based interaction patterns

WS-Addressing Definitions

- Web Service endpoint
 - Referencable target for Web Service messages
- **Endpoint references**
 - convey the information for endpoint identification and referencing
 - Allow endpoint access
 - Support addresses for individual messages
 - makes it possible to pass additional endpoint metadata (contract details and policies)
- **Message information header**
 - End-to-end message characteristics
 - Includes source and destination endpoint and message identifiers

Endpoint References (ER)

- Identification & reference for a Web Service endpoint
- Extension of the WSDL 1.1 description model
- Complement WSDL elements:
 - When statefull service instances need to be identified – no more HTTP session keys !
 - For communication of dynamic endpoint configuration changes
- Usage scenarios
 - Dynamic generation and customization of service endpoint descriptions
 - Identification and description of specific service instances
 - Dynamic exchange of endpoint information

Endpoint Reference Properties

- Address (mandatory)
 - URI; identifies the endpoint; may reference network or logical address
- Selected port type (optional)
 - QName of the primary WSDL portType
- Service name (optional)
 - QName identifying the WSDL service element that contains the WSDL definition of the endpoint
 - optional non-qualified name for specific port that corresponds to the endpoint

```
<wsa:EndpointReference>  
  <wsa:Address>xs:anyURI</wsa:Address>  
  <wsa:PortType>xs:QName</wsa:PortType>  
  <wsa:ServiceName PortName="xs:ns"?>xs:QName</wsa:ServiceName>  
</wsa:EndpointReference>
```

Endpoint Reference Properties

- Reference properties / parameters (optional)
 - Required to identify the entity or resource being conveyed
 - Provided by the issuer of the reference, opaque to the consuming application
 - Endpoints with different *reference properties* may accept different sets of messages or may follow different policies
 - Differing *reference parameters* do not imply differing XML Schema, WSDL or policies for the endpoints

```
<wsa:EndpointReference>  
  <wsa:Address>xs:anyURI</wsa:Address>  
  <wsa:ReferenceProperties>... </wsa:ReferenceProperties>  
  <wsa:ReferenceParameters>... </wsa:ReferenceParameters>  
</wsa:EndpointReference>
```

Endpoint Reference Example

wsa:EndpointReference

```
xmlns:c="http://example.org/claims"  
xmlns:p="http://schemas.xmlsoap.org/ws/2002/12/policy" > <wsa:Address  
    http://claimserver/ins/p.asmx  
</wsa:Address>  
<wsa:ReferenceProperties>  
    <c:PatientProfile>123456</c:PatientProfile>  
    <c:CarrierID>987654</c:CarrierID> </wsa:ReferenceProperties>  
<wsa:PortType>c:ClaimsPortType</wsa:PortType> <wsa:ServiceName  
PortName="c:ClaimsSoapPort">  
    c:ClaimsService  
</wsa:ServiceName>  
<p:Policy> ... <!-- policy statement -->  
</p:Policy>  
</wsa:EndpointReference>
```

Message Information Headers

- Augmentation of messages with abstract properties
- Independence from transport protocol
- Enable the identification and location of endpoints in an interaction
 - One Way
 - Request-Reply
- Allows multiple response messages to different endpoints (e.g. WS-ReliableMessaging: reply, fault, acknowledgement)

Message Information Properties

- Destination (mandatory)
 - Address of the intended receiver, independent from transport destination information (HTTP request URL)
- Source endpoint (optional)
 - Endpoint where the message was originated
- Message identifier (optional)
 - Identifies the message uniquely in time and space
 - Retransmissions should occur with the same message ID
 - Must be set when a reply is expected

`<wsa:To>xs:anyURI</wsa:To>`

`<wsa:From>endpoint-reference</wsa:From>`

`<wsa:MessageID>xs:anyURI</wsa:MessageID>`

Message Information Properties

- Reply endpoint (optional)
 - Intended receiver for replies to this message
 - Source endpoint MAY be used when absent
 - Client must consider it, requires also message ID
- Fault endpoint (optional)
 - Intended receiver for faults related to this message
 - Reply or source endpoint MAY be used when absent
 - Client must consider it, requires also message ID

```
<wsa:To>xs:anyURI</wsa:To>
```

```
<wsa:ReplyTo>endpoint-reference</wsa:ReplyTo>
```

```
<wsa:FaultTo>xs:anyURI</wsa:FaultTo>
```

Message Information Properties

- Action (mandatory)
 - In-envelope version of the HTTP SoapAction header element
 - Both URI's must be the same when specified
- Relationship (optional)
 - Type of relationship as QName
 - Predefined: „wsa:Reply“ for replies
 - Message ID of the related message
 - Must be present if the message is a reply
 - URI for unspecified message:
http://schemas.xmlsoap.org/ws/2004/08/addressing/id/unspecified

```
<wsa:To>xs:anyURI</wsa:To>
```

```
<wsa:Action>xs:anyURI</wsa:Action>
```

```
<wsa:RelatesTo RelationshipType=„...“>xs:anyURI</wsa:RelatesTo>
```

Anonymous Endpoints

- Resolvable global URI for endpoints is usually difficult (NAT, DHCP, firewall)
→ *http://schemas.xmlsoap.org/ws/2004/08/addressing/role/anonymous*
- Requests with anonymous endpoints for reply / source / fault must provide out-of-band transport for messages
 - HTTP GET / POST request-reply interaction
- Allowed only as destination ("To") for reply messages

```
<soap:Header>
  <wsa:To>http://host/WidgetService</wsa:To>
  <wsa:ReplyTo><wsa:Address>
    http://schemas.xmlsoap.org/ws/2003/03/addressing/role/anonymous
  </wsa:Address></wsa:ReplyTo>
  <wsa:FaultTo><wsa:Address>
    http://client/myReceiver
  </wsa:Address></wsa:FaultTo>
</soap:Header>
```

SOAP Binding for Endpoint References

- Conformant implementations must support SOAP binding
- WSA address property is copied to the message information header field for the destination („To“)
- Ref. properties / parameters become SOAP header fields
- Fault information maps to SOAP 1.2 constructs

```
<S:Body><S:Fault>  
  <S:Code>  
    <S:Value>[Code]</S:Value>  
    <S:Subcode><S:Value>[Subcode]</S:Value></S:Subcode>  
  </S:Code>  
  <S:Reason><S:Text>[Reason]</S:Text></S:Reason>  
  <S:Detail>[Detail]</S:Detail>  
</S:Fault></S:Body>
```

SOAP 1.2 Binding Example

```
<wsa:EndpointReference xmlns:wsa="..." xmlns:fabrikam="...">
  <wsa:Address>http://www.fabrikam123.example/acct</wsa:Address>
  <wsa:ReferenceProperties>
    <fabrikam:CustomerKey>123456789</fabrikam:CustomerKey>
  </wsa:ReferenceProperties>
  <wsa:ReferenceParameters>
    <fabrikam:ShoppingCart>ABCDEFGH</fabrikam:ShoppingCart>
  </wsa:ReferenceParameters> </wsa:EndpointReference>
```

```
<S:Envelope xmlns:S=http://www.w3.org/2003/05/soap-envelope
  xmlns:wsa="..." xmlns:fabrikam="..." ">
  <S:Header> ...
    <wsa:To>http://www.fabrikam123.example/acct</wsa:To>
    <fabrikam:CustomerKey>123456789</fabrikam:CustomerKey>
    <fabrikam:ShoppingCart>ABCDEFGH</fabrikam:ShoppingCart> ...
  </S:Header>
  <S:Body> ... </S:Body>
</S:Envelope>
```

SOAP 1.2 Binding Example (contd.)

```
<S:Envelope xmlns:S=http://www.w3.org/2003/05/soap-envelope
  xmlns:wsa="http://schemas.xmlsoap.org/ws/2004/08/addressing">
  <S:Header>
    <wsa:MessageID>
      uuid:6B29FC40-CA47-1067-B31D-00DD010662DA
    </wsa:MessageID>
    <wsa:ReplyTo>
      <wsa:Address>http://bus456.example/client1</wsa:Address>
    </wsa:ReplyTo>
    <wsa:To>http://fabrikam123.example/Purchasing</wsa:To>
    <wsa:Action>http://fabrikam123.example/SubmitPO</wsa:Action>
  </S:Header>
  <S:Body>
    ...
  </S:Body>
</S:Envelope>
```

Formulating a Reply Message

Request Message



Response Message



WS-Addressing - Conclusion

- All relevant information for processing inside of the SOAP envelope
 - no problem with intermediaries or new transport protocols
- Client-side can be unaware of additional information needed by the provider
- Implicit asynchronous support for Web Services
- Standardized way to pass around references to Web Services

Message Transmission Optimization Mechanism (MTOM)

- W3C Proposed Recommendation
- Microsoft, IBM, BEA, Canon
- No implementing product
- Optimization of the transmission and/or wire format of SOAP messages
- Based on XOP (XML-binary optimized packaging)
 - MIME / Multipart serialization of SOAP messages
 - XML document as root part
 - Base64 data comes in separate MIME parts

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WS-MetadataExchange

- Microsoft, IBM, SAP, BEA, SUN and others
- Web Service consumers need metadata to interact with them
 - Messages, protocols, endpoint addresses
 - Policies (capabilities, requirements, ...)
- Simple interaction to get service description
→ communication bootstrapping
- Request for specific metadata type
- SOAP 1.2, WSDL 1.1
- Intended for retrieval of WSDL, WS-Policy and XML Schema information for endpoints or target namespaces

Retrieving Metadata

- Metadata dialect / identifier
 - Response must include only Metadata Sections that are related to the indicated dialect / identifier
 - Specified as URI, interpreted by the service
- Metadata Section element content
 - requested information
 - Metadata Reference (Endpoint Reference)
 - GetMetadata operation
 - Metadata Location (URL)
 - HTTP GET operation

GetMetadata Request Message

```
<s:Envelope ...>
  <s:Header ...>
    <wsa:Action>
      http://schemas.xmlsoap.org/ws/2004/09/
      mex/GetMetadata/Request
    </wsa:Action>
    <wsa:MessageID>xs:anyURI</wsa:MessageID>
    <wsa:ReplyTo>endpoint-reference</wsa:ReplyTo>
    <wsa:To>xs:anyURI</wsa:To>
    ...
  </s:Header>
  <s:Body>
    <wsx:GetMetadata ...>
      [ <wsx:Dialect>xs:anyURI</wsx:Dialect>
        [ <wsx:Identifier>xs:anyURI</wsx:Identifier> ]
      ]
    </wsx:GetMetadata>
  </s:Body>
</s:Envelope>
```

GetMetadata Example - Request

```
<s12:Envelope
  xmlns:s12='http://www.w3.org/2003/05/soap-envelope'
  xmlns:wsa='http://schemas.xmlsoap.org/ws/2004/08/addressing'
  xmlns:wsx='http://schemas.xmlsoap.org/ws/2004/09/mex' >
<s12:Header>
  <wsa:Action>
    http://schemas.xmlsoap.org/ws/2004/09/
      mex/GetMetadata/Request
  </wsa:Action>
  <wsa:MessageID>4f6d5c6027f4</wsa:MessageID>
  <wsa:ReplyTo>
    <wsa:Address>http://example.com/MyEndpoint</wsa:Address>
  </wsa:ReplyTo>
  <wsa:To>http://server.example.org/YourEndpoint</wsa:To>
</s12:Header>
<s12:Body>
  <wsx:GetMetadata>
    <wsx:Dialect>http://schemas.xmlsoap.org/wsdl/</wsx:Dialect>
  </s12:Body>
</s12:Envelope>
```

GetMetadata Example - Response

```
<s12:Envelope
  xmlns:s12='http://www.w3.org/2003/05/soap-envelope'
  xmlns:wsa='http://schemas.xmlsoap.org/ws/2004/08/addressing'
  xmlns:wsx='http://schemas.xmlsoap.org/ws/2004/09/mex' >
<s12:Header>
  <wsa:Action>
    http://schemas.xmlsoap.org/ws/2004/09/
      mex/GetMetadata/Response
  </wsa:Action>
  <wsa:RelatesTo>4f6d5c6027f4</wsa:RelatesTo>
  <wsa:To>http://client.example.com/MyEndpoint</wsa:To>
</s12:Header>
<s12:Body>
  <wsx:Metadata>
    <wsx:MetadataSection
      Dialect='http://schemas.xmlsoap.org/wsd1/' >
      <wsdl:definitions ... </wsdl:definitions>
    </wsx:MetadataSection>
  </wsx:Metadata>
</s12:Body>
</s12:Envelope>
```


WS-Policy

- General-purpose model to describe and communicate the policies of a web service (requirements, preferences, and capabilities)
- Policy: collection of policy alternatives
- Alternative: set of domain-specific policy assertions
- Policy assertion examples
 - ‘wire’ properties (authentication scheme, transport protocol)
 - Extended properties (privacy policy, QoS characteristics)
- Policy operators are describing acceptable combinations of assertions
 - **All** - all its child elements must be satisfied
 - **ExactlyOne** - exactly one of its child elements must be satisfied

WS-Policy Example

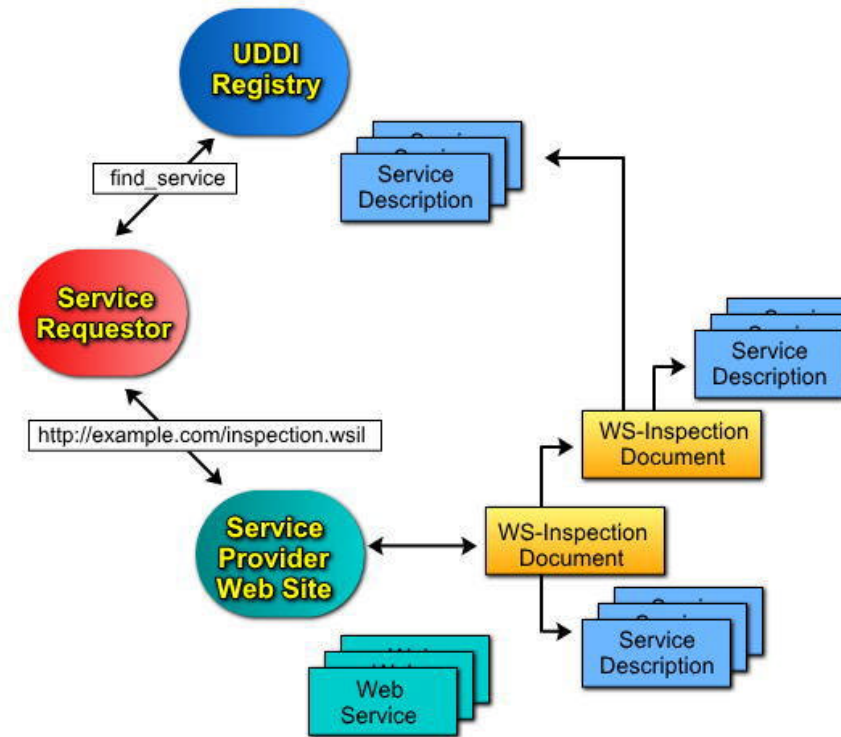
```
<wsp:Policy>
  <wsp:ExactlyOne>
    <wsp>All>
      <wsse:SecurityToken>
        <wsse:TokenType>wsse:Kerberosv5TGT</wsse:TokenType>
      </wsse:SecurityToken>
    </wsp>All>
    <wsp>All>
      <wsse:SecurityToken>
        <wsse:TokenType>wsse:X509v3</wsse:TokenType>
      </wsse:SecurityToken>
    </wsp>All>
  </wsp:ExactlyOne>
</wsp:Policy>
```

WS-Policy Extensions

- WS-PolicyAttachment
 - general-purpose mechanisms for associating policies with the subjects to which they apply
 - reference policies from WSDL definitions
 - associate policies with deployed WS endpoints
 - associate policies with UDDI entities
- WS-SecurityPolicy
 - WS-Policy assertions that apply to WS-Security

WS-Inspection Language

- IBM, Microsoft
- multiple implementations
- Service provider offers WSIL files
 - Inspection.wsil at common web site entry point
 - Link from another document
- Service descriptions in external formats (e.g. WSDL or UDDI entry)



WS-Inspection Example

```
<?xml version="1.0"?>
<inspection xmlns="http://schemas.xmlsoap.org/ws/2001/10/inspection/">
  <service>
    <description
      referencedNamespace=http://schemas.xmlsoap.org/wsdl/
      location="http://example.com/exampleservice.wsdl" />
  </service>
  <service>
    <description referencedNamespace="urn:uddi-org:api">
      <wsiluddi:serviceDescription
        location="http://example.com/uddi/inquiryapi">
        <wsiluddi:serviceKey>52946BB0</wsiluddi:serviceKey>
      </wsiluddi:serviceDescription>
    </description>
  </service>
</inspection>
```

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WS-Eventing

- BEA, Microsoft, and others
- Publish / subscribe system with source and sink
- Subscription events
 - Subscribe (sent by the event sink)
 - Renew (sent by the event sink)
 - GetStatus (sent by the event sink)
 - Unsubscribe (sent by the event sink)
 - End (sent by the event source)
- Source sends notifications until
 - the subscription expires without renewal
 - the event sink sends an unsubscribe event
 - the event source cancels the subscription

WS-Eventing Subscription Example (1/2)

```
<s12:Envelope
  xmlns:s12='http://www.w3.org/2003/05/soap-envelope'
  xmlns:wsa='http://schemas.xmlsoap.org/ws/2004/08/addressing'
  xmlns:wse='http://schemas.xmlsoap.org/ws/2004/08/eventing'
  xmlns:ew='http://www.example.com/warnings' >
<s12:Header>
  <wsa:Action>
    http://schemas.xmlsoap.org/ws/2004/08/eventing/Subscribe
  </wsa:Action>
  <wsa:MessageID>
    uuid:e1886c5c-5e86-48d1-8c77-fc1c28d47180
  </wsa:MessageID>
  <wsa:ReplyTo>
    <wsa:Address>http://www.example.com/MyEventSink</wsa:Address>
    <wsa:ReferenceProperties>
      <ew:MySubscription>2597</ew:MySubscription>
    </wsa:ReferenceProperties>
  </wsa:ReplyTo>
  <wsa:To>http://www.example.org/oceanwatch/EventSource</wsa:To>
</s12:Header>
```


WS-Eventing Subscription Example (2/2)

```
<s12:Body>
  <wse:Subscribe>
    <wse:EndTo>
      <wsa:Address> http://www.example.com/MyEventSink </wsa:Address>
      <wsa:ReferenceProperties>
        <ew:MySubscription>2597</ew:MySubscription>
      </wsa:ReferenceProperties>
    </wse:EndTo>
    <wse:Delivery>
      <wse:NotifyTo>
        <wsa:Address>http://www.example.com/OnStormWarning</wsa:Address>
        <wsa:ReferenceProperties>
          <ew:MySubscription>2597</ew:MySubscription>
        </wsa:ReferenceProperties>
      </wse:NotifyTo>
    </wse:Delivery>
    <wse:Expires>2004-04-26T21:07:00.000-08:00</wse:Expires>
  </wse:Subscribe>
</s12:Body>
</s12:Envelope>
```

WS-Notification

- IBM, Sonic, TIBCO, Akamai, SAP, HP
- Submitted to OASIS
- IBM works on interoperability to WS-Eventing since September 2004,
Microsoft joined the effort
- Designed for Grid applications (WSRF)
- More features than WS-Eventing

WS-Notification documents

- Web Service Base Notification
 - Interfaces for consumers and producers
- Web Services Topics (WS-Topics)
 - Mechanisms to organize and categorize items of interest for subscription
 - Topic expression dialects for subscription
- Web Services Brokered Notification
 - Interface for Notification Broker
 - Intermediary that allows publication of messages from entities that are not service providers

WS-Notification Goals

- Support for small devices (restricted set of mandatory features)
- Support for direct and brokered notification
- Transformation and aggregation of Topics
- Runtime metadata
(e.g. available subscription types)
- Broker federations
- Transport protocol independence
- Based on `WS-ResourceProperties` and `WS-ResourceLifetime` (from WSRF)

Base Notification

- Two ways of notification
 - Producer sends application-specific content
 - Producer send special *Notify* message
 - Allows additional information (e.g. Topic)
 - Consumer can receive a range of notification messages without explicit support
 - Batch transfer of notification messages
- Type is indicated during the subscription
- No response is expected

Notify Message

```
<wsnt:Notify>
  <wsnt:NotificationMessage>
    <wsnt:Topic dialect="xsd:anyURI">
      { any }
    </wsnt:Topic>
    <wsnt:ProducerReference>
      wsa:EndpointReference
    </wsnt:ProducerReference>
    <wsnt:Message>xsd:any</wsnt:Message>
  </wsnt:NotificationMessage>
</wsnt:Notify>
```

Notification Metadata

- Producer interface must support a set of resource properties
 - Topics (0-n): collection of supported topics
 - FixedTopicSet (1): indicates whether the collection of Topics can change
 - TopicExpressionDialects (1-n): supported set of topic dialects

Subscription Parameters

- Consumer reference
 - WS-Addressing endpoint reference
- Topic expression
- “Use notify” flag
 - Decides whether or not the notification message is used
- Selector
 - Expression that must evaluate to “true”
 - Syntax and meaning is defined by the producer
- SubscriptionPolicy
- InitialTerminationTime
 - Mandatory termination time in the future
 - Suggestion by the requestor
 - Relative to the time source of the producer

Subscribe Message

```
<wsnt:Subscribe>
  <wsnt:ConsumerReference>
    wsa:endpointReference
  </wsnt:ConsumerReference>
  <wsnt:TopicExpression dialect = "xsd:anyURI">
    {any}
  </wsnt:TopicExpression>
  <wsnt:UseNotify>xsd:boolean</wsnt:UseNotify>
  <wsnt:Precondition>wsrp:QueryExpression</Precondition>
  <wsnt:Selector>wsrp:QueryExpression</wsnt:Selector>
  <wsnt:SubscriptionPolicy>{any}</wsnt:SubscriptionPolicy>
  <wsnt:InitialTerminationTime>
    xsd:dateTime
  </wsnt:InitialTerminationTime>
</wsnt:Subscribe>
```

Subscription Results

- Endpoint reference to *subscription manager* is returned
 - Offers subscription resource properties
 - Allows *PauseSubscription* request
 - Allows *ResumeSubscription* request
- Notification producer allows *GetCurrentMessage* request
 - May result in a re-sending of the last notification message

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Security

- WS-Security
 - protocol neutral mechanism for securing SOAP messages
 - builds upon XML-Signature and XML-Encryption
 - specifies how security tokens can be associated with messages
- WS-Trust
 - WS-Security extension for requesting and issuing security tokens
- WS-SecureConversation
 - defines mechanisms for establishing and sharing security contexts, e.g. for anonymous or mutual authentication
- WS-Federation
 - mechanisms for allowing and brokering trust of identities, attributes and authentication between Web Services

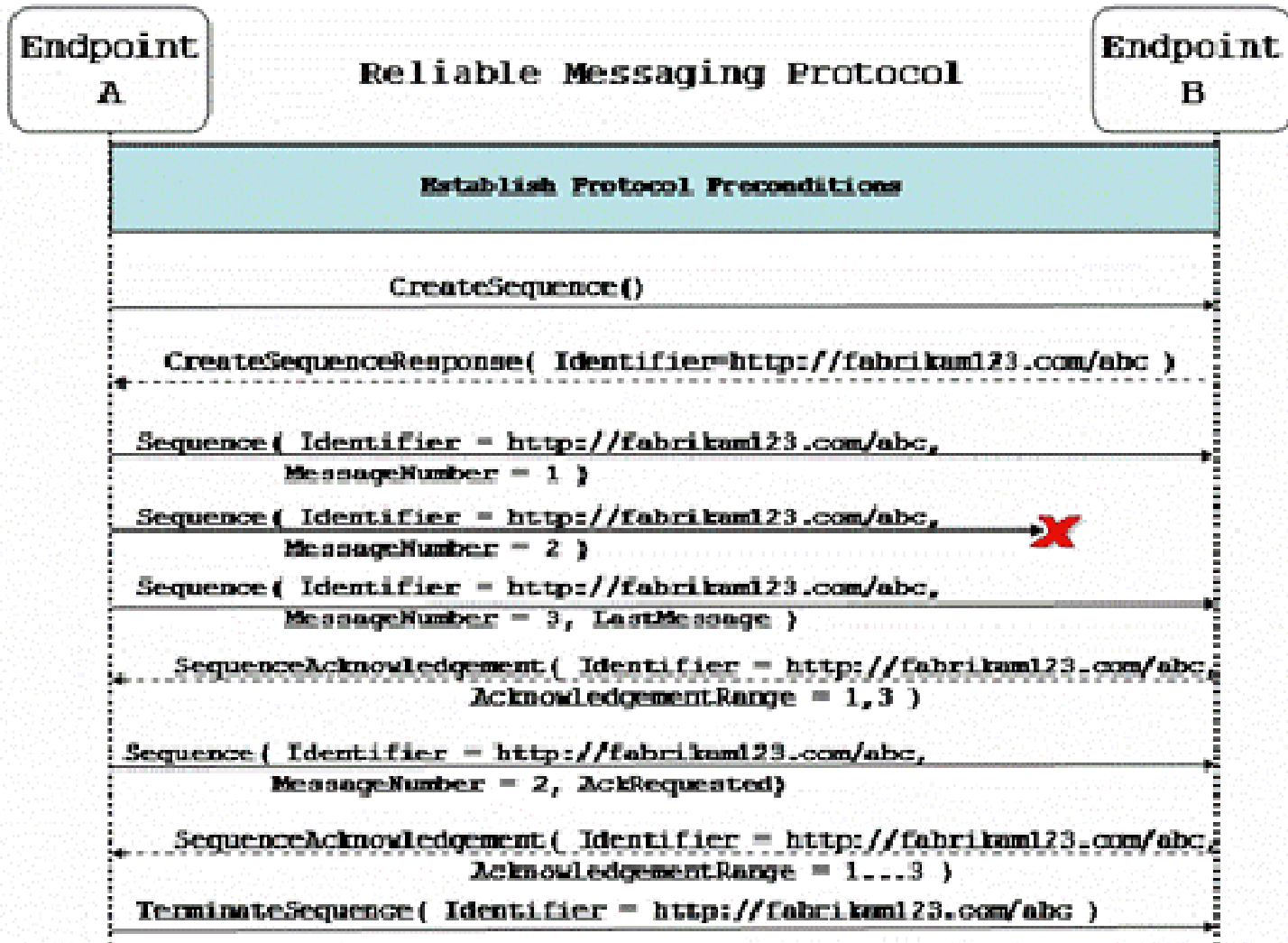
Fault Tolerance

- WS-Coordination
 - Framework for the definition of coordination types
 - Coordinator and coordination protocols
 - Creation and propagation of a new coordination context
- WS-Transaction
 - WS-AtomicTransaction and WS-BusinessActivity
 - reach consistent agreement on the outcome of distributed transactions → coordination protocol

Reliability

- WS-Reliability
 - SUN and others, OASIS submission
 - allows messages to be delivered reliably in a network-transport-independent manner
- WS-ReliableMessaging
 - IBM, Microsoft, BEA
 - Similar concept with some basic ideas
 - message sequence numbers
 - sequence creation, termination and acknowledgement messages

WS-ReliableMessaging Example



Grid Computing

- Web Service Resource Framework (WSRF)
- Based on WS-Addressing
- Concepts for stateful resources that are accessible through a Web Service
- Akamai, IBM, HP, Globus, Tibco, Fujitsu
- Upcoming implementations (Axis, Globus 4, IBM ETTK)

Web Service Resource Framework

- Access to stateful resources using Web Services – “Implied Resource Pattern”
- Family of specifications
 - WS-ResourceProperties
 - WS-ResourceLifetime
 - WS-RenewableReferences
 - WS-ServiceGroup
 - WS-BaseFaults

As Well As ...

- WS-Discovery
 - multicast-based ad-hoc discovery protocol to locate available Web services
 - Intended for wireless and mobile devices
 - “Discovery Proxies” concept
- BPEL4WS
 - XML-based workflow definition language for web service invocation
- WS-MessageDelivery
 - Specify message exchange patterns and delivery properties

Conclusion

- Some important specs
- Many domain-specific specs
- Document quality differs, depends on the companies of the authors
- Fast evolving of implementations, leaded by IBM (ETTK) and Microsoft (WSE)