Security in Software Engineering

Web Services Part 12: UDDI and Advanced Web Services

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Agenda

- an introduction to UDDI,
- UDDI Security,
- Message Routing,
- Advanced topics in WS,
- Conclusion.

UDDI

- Universal Description, Discovery and Integration (UDDI),
- An industry specification (inside OASIS) for lookup, publishing and localization of WS,
- UDDI defines also an API to access UDDI information,
- UBR (UDDI Business Registry) cataloging Web Services from companies,
- http://www.uddi.org/ current (version 3)

UDDI Services

- Provider (anything that can offer XML Web Services),
 - Contact (contact point inside the provider),
 - Service (a global representation of services available via the Web Services, for example a lookup for an ISBN),
 - Binding (the access point : a specific url)
 - Instance info (interface description or WSDL)
- tModels Technical models (to represent unique concepts or constructs)

UDDI and Security

- Security authentication and authorization mechanisms and policies are represented via the tModels,
- Security Policy API Set to provide access control,
- XML-sig/enc could be used,
- UDDI only defines access/discovery (your SOAP interface doesn't move),
- UDDI relies on existing protocols (HTTP,SSL)

WS: Message Routing

- Web Services describes a processing model but not a message path,
- Custom routing can be created via (SOAP 1.2) actor and mustUnderstand attributes,
- You can create custom routing specific receiver (in SOAP,
- Security and routing is quite difficult,
- WS-Routing specification is a simple stateless SOAP-based routing protocol,
- WS-Referral is a simple stateless for inserting and querying routing entries in SOAP.

Advanced WS

- WS-Policy, WS-Trust, WS-Privacy, WS-Federation, ...
- WS-Inspection =/= UDDI (a simple way to know operation of a web services),
- Reliable Messaging (e.g. HTTPR),

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