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**Abstract:**

This document specifies the means by which SCA composites and components, as defined in the SCA Assembly Specification [**SCA-Assembly**], connect to and access services provided by Enterprise Information Systems (EIS). The connectivity is based on the Java EE Connector Architecture (JCA) specification version 1.5 [**JCA15**], and is provided via a binding.jca element which applies to the references and services of an SCA composite or SCA component.

The connection to exchange data with the EIS is characterized by two sets of configuration parameters, the connection and interaction parameters. The former set determines the location of the target system the latter determines characteristics that need to be specified to invoke one specific service available at the endpoint. JCA Binding model captures these parameters as separate sets to allow their reuse and reconfiguration.

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# 1 Introduction

This document specifies the means by which SCA composites and components, as defined in the SCA Assembly Specification **[SCA-Assembly]**, connect to and access services provided by Enterprise Information Systems (EIS). The connectivity is based on the Java EE Connector Architecture (JCA) specification version 1.5 **[JCA15]**, and is provided via a `binding.jca` element which applies to the references and services of an SCA composite or SCA component.

The connection to exchange data with the EIS is characterized by two sets of configuration parameters, the connection and interaction parameters. The former set determines the location of the target system the latter determines characteristics that need to be specified to invoke one specific service available at the endpoint. JCA Binding model captures these parameters as separate sets to allow their reuse and reconfiguration.

This binding places no requirement on SCA runtimes to support bidirectional interfaces as defined by the SCA Assembly Specification **[SCA-Assembly]**, SCA runtimes can implement support for bidirectional interfaces using extensions to the binding element.

## 1.1 Terminology

The key words "MUST", "MUST NOT", "REQUIRED", "SHALL", "SHALL NOT", "SHOULD", "SHOULD NOT", "RECOMMENDED", "MAY", and "OPTIONAL" in this document are to be interpreted as described in [RFC Keywords \[RFC2119\]](#).

This specification uses predefined namespace prefixes throughout; they are given in the following list. Note that the choice of any namespace prefix is arbitrary and not semantically significant.

Prefix	Namespace	Notes
xs	" <a href="http://www.w3.org/2001/XMLSchema">http://www.w3.org/2001/XMLSchema</a> "	Defined by XML Schema 1.0 specification
sca	" <a href="http://docs.oasis-open.org/ns/opencsa/sca/200903">http://docs.oasis-open.org/ns/opencsa/sca/200903</a> "	Defined by the SCA specifications

Table 1-1: Prefixes and Namespaces used in this specification

## 1.2 Normative References

- [RFC2119]** S. Bradner, *Key words for use in RFCs to Indicate Requirement Levels*, <http://www.ietf.org/rfc/rfc2119.txt>, IETF RFC 2119, March 1997.
- [JCA15]** J2EE Connector Architecture Specification Version 1.5  
<http://java.sun.com/j2ee/connector/>
- [WSDL]** E. Christensen et al, *Web Service Description Language (WSDL) 1.1*, <http://www.w3.org/TR/2001/NOTE-wsdl-20010315>, W3C Note, March 15 2001.  
R. Chinnici et al, *Web Service Description Language (WSDL) Version 2.0 Part 1: Core Language*, <http://www.w3.org/TR/2007/REC-wsdl20-20070626/>, W3C Recommendation, June 26 2007.
- [SCA-Assembly]** OASIS Committee Draft 03, "Service Component Architecture Assembly Model Specification Version 1.1", March 2009  
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## 1.3 Naming Conventions

The naming conventions used by artefacts defined in this specification are:

- The naming conventions defined by section 1.3 of the SCA Assembly Specification **[SCA-Assembly]**.
- Where the names of elements and attributes consist partially or wholly of acronyms, the letters of the acronyms use the same case. When the acronym appears at the start of the name of an element or an attribute, or after a period, it is in lower case. If it appears elsewhere in the name of an element or an attribute, it is in upper case. For example, an attribute might be named "uri" or "jndiURL".
- Where the names of types consist partially or wholly of acronyms, the letters of the acronyms are in all upper case. For example, an XML Schema type might be named "JCABinding" or "MessageID".
- Values, including local parts of QName values, follow the rules for names of elements and attributes as stated above, with the exception that the letters of acronyms are in all upper case. For example, a value might be "JMSDefault" or "namespaceURI".

## 2 JCA Binding

The JCA binding element is defined by the pseudo-schema in Snippet 2-1.

```
<binding.jca initialContextFactory="xs:anyURI"?
  jndiURL="xs:anyURI"?
  name="NCName"?
  requires="list of xs:QName"?
  policySets="list of xs:QName"?
  uri="xsd:anyURI"?>

  <outboundConnection managed="xs:boolean"?>
    <resourceAdapter name="NMTOKEN" type="NMTOKEN">
      <property name="NMTOKEN" type="NMTOKEN">*</property>
    </resourceAdapter>
    <connection jndiName="xs:anyURI"? type="NMTOKEN"
      create="always or never or ifNotExist"?>
      <property name="NMTOKEN" type="NMTOKEN">*</property>
    </connection>
    <resAuth>container|application</resAuth>?
  </outboundConnection>?

  <inboundConnection>
    <resourceAdapter name="NMTOKEN"? type="NMTOKEN">
      <property name="NMTOKEN" type="NMTOKEN">*</property>
    </resourceAdapter>
    <activationSpec jndiName="xs:anyURI"? type="NMTOKEN"
      create="always or never or ifNotExist"?>
      <property name="NMTOKEN" type="NMTOKEN">*</property>
    </activationSpec>
  </inboundConnection>?

  <outboundInteraction>
    <connectionSpec type="NMTOKEN">
      <property name="NMTOKEN" type="NMTOKEN">*</property>
    </connectionSpec>
    <interactionSpec type="NMTOKEN">
      <property name="NMTOKEN" type="NMTOKEN">*</property>
    </interactionSpec>
    <operation name="NMTOKEN">
      <interactionSpec type="NMTOKEN"?>
        <property name="NMTOKEN" type="NMTOKEN">*</property>
      </interactionSpec>
    </operation>
  </outboundInteraction>?

  <inboundInteraction>
    <listener type="NMTOKEN">?
    <inboundOperation name="NMTOKEN" selectedOperation="NMTOKEN">*</inboundOperation>?
    <wireFormat ... />?
    <operationSelector ... />?
  </inboundInteraction>?
</binding.jca>
```

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Snippet 2-1: binding.jca Pseudo-Schema

The **binding.jca** element has the attributes:

- **/binding.jca/@uri** – the binding's **@uri** attribute specifies the connection to the EIS. For a reference, it defines the endpoint allowing connecting to the target EIS by providing the JNDI name under which a ConnectionFactory is located. For a service, the **@uri** defines the endpoint to allow the EIS system to connect to the SCA system by defining the JNDI lookup name of an ActivationSpec, for example **@uri="java:comp/env/eis/TRAN\_EIS"**.  
The **@uri** attribute, the **inboundConnection** and the **outboundConnection** element are mutually exclusive and the SCA runtime MUST raise an error if more than one is present [BJC20001].  
For an SCA service with a **binding.jca** element with the **@uri** attribute value specified, if the JNDI location identified by the **@uri** attribute does not locate an Activation Spec the SCA runtime MUST raise an error [BJC20021].  
For an SCA reference with a **binding.jca** element with the **@uri** attribute value specified, if the JNDI location identified by the **@uri** attribute does not locate a Connection Factory the SCA runtime MUST raise an error [BJC20022].
- **/binding.jca/@initialContextFactory** – the name of the JNDI initial context factory.  
The **@initialContextFactory** attribute MUST NOT be specified if the **@uri** attribute is not present [BJC20002].
- **/binding.jca/@jndiURL** – the URL for the JNDI provider.  
The **@jndiURL** attribute MUST NOT be specified if the **@uri** attribute is not present [BJC20003].
- **/binding.jca/@name** – as defined in the SCA Assembly Specification [SCA-Assembly].
- **/binding.jca/@requires** – as defined in the SCA Assembly Specification [SCA-Assembly].
- **/binding.jca/@policySets** – as defined in the SCA Assembly Specification [SCA-Assembly].
- **/binding.jca/outboundConnection** – defines the outbound connection characteristics.  
The **outboundConnection** element MUST NOT be specified for services [BJC20004].
- **/binding.jca/outboundConnection/@managed** – determines whether the interaction with the EIS system is to be performed in the managed or non-managed mode. If the value is true (default), the JNDI name is used to obtain connection to the EIS and use adapter in the managed mode. If the value is false, the connection information is used to invoke adapter in the non-managed mode i.e. by creating instance of the ManagedConnectionFactory and using it to create Connection. For the full description of the managed and non-managed mode refer to section 6.9 of the JCA 1.5 specification [JCA15].
- **/binding.jca/outboundConnection/resourceAdapter** – specifies the name, type and properties of the Resource Adapter Java bean.  
The SCA runtime MAY restrict valid properties of the outbound connection's Resource Adapter Java bean depending on the deployment platform [BJC20005].  
The **outboundConnection/resourceAdapter** element MUST NOT be specified when the **@managed** attribute value is "false" [BJC20006].
- **/binding.jca/outboundConnection/resourceAdapter/@type** – the fully qualified name of the class implementing the JCA ResourceAdapter interface.  
If the **outboundConnection/resourceAdapter/@type** attribute is specified and the named Java class cannot be located or does not implement the **javax.resource.spi.ResourceAdapter** interface the SCA runtime MUST raise an error [BJC20028].
- **/binding.jca/outboundConnection/resourceAdapter/@name** – the optional name that uniquely identifies the existing instance of the resource adapter.
- **/binding.jca/outboundConnection/resourceAdapter/property** – contains the subset of the properties of the Resource Adapter Java Bean that need to be set in order to access specified EIS service. The full list of Resource Adapter properties can be obtained by introspecting the Java Bean.





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- 155 | • **/binding.jca/outboundConnection/connection**  specifies the properties of the connection  
156 | factory used to create connections to the service endpoint. Deleted: element
- 157 | • **/binding.jca/outboundConnection/connection/@type** – the fully qualified name of the class  
158 | implementing the JCA ManagedConnectionFactory interface
- 159 | • **/binding.jca/outboundConnection/connection/@jndiName** – the JNDI name of the connection  
160 | factory that the binding uses to connection to the EIS. The behaviour of this attribute is  
161 | determined by the value of the @create attribute:
  - 162 | – If the @create attribute value for an **outboundConnection/connection** or  
163 | **inboundConnection/activationSpec** element is "always" and the @jndiName attribute  
164 | is present and the resource cannot be created at the location specified by the  
165 | @jndiName attribute, then the SCA runtime MUST raise an error [BJC20007].
  - 166 | If the @create attribute value for an **outboundConnection/connection** or  
167 | **inboundConnection/activationSpec** element is "always" and the @jndiName attribute  
168 | is not present and the resource cannot be created, then the SCA runtime MUST raise an  
169 | error [BJC20008].
  - 170 | If the @jndiName attribute is omitted this specification places no restriction on the JNDI  
171 | location of the created resource.
  - 172 | – If the @create attribute value for an **outboundConnection/connection** or  
173 | **inboundConnection/activationSpec** element is "ifNotExist" then the @jndiName  
174 | attribute MUST specify the location of the possibly existing resource [BJC20013].
  - 175 | If the @create attribute value for an **outboundConnection/connection** or  
176 | **inboundConnection/activationSpec** element is "ifNotExist" and the resource does not  
177 | exist at the location identified by the @jndiName attribute, but cannot be created there  
178 | then the SCA runtime MUST raise an error [BJC20014].
  - 179 | If the @create attribute value for an **outboundConnection/connection** or  
180 | **inboundConnection/activationSpec** element is "ifNotExist" and the @jndiName  
181 | attribute refers to an existing resource that is not a connection factory of the appropriate  
182 | type or an activation spec of the appropriate type respectively then the SCA runtime  
183 | MUST raise an error [BJC20018].
  - 184 | – If the @create attribute value for an **outboundConnection/connection** or  
185 | **inboundConnection/activationSpec** element is "never" then the @jndiName attribute  
186 | MUST specify the location of the existing resource [BJC20019].
  - 187 | If the @create attribute value for an **outboundConnection/connection** or  
188 | **inboundConnection/activationSpec** element is "never" and the resource is not present  
189 | at the location identified by the @jndiName attribute, or the location refers to a resource  
190 | of an incorrect type then the SCA runtime MUST raise an error [BJC20020].
- 191 | • **/binding.jca/outboundConnection/connection/property**  contains the subset of the properties  
192 | of the Managed Connection Factory Java Bean that need to be set in order to access specified  
193 | EIS service. The full list of Managed Connection Factory properties can be obtained by  
194 | introspecting the Java Bean. Deleted: element
- 195 | • **/binding.jca/outboundConnection/connection/@create**  indicates whether the element  
196 | containing the attribute should be created when the containing composite is deployed. Valid  
197 | values are "always", "never" and "ifNotExist". "always" indicates that new resources are  
198 | created for use by this binding; "never" indicates that existing resources are used and none  
199 | created; "ifNotExist" indicates that if the resources already exist those are used, otherwise new  
200 | ones are created. Refer to the **outboundConnection/connection/@jndiName** attribute for a  
201 | detailed definition of each case. The default value is "ifNotExist". Deleted: attribute
- 202 | • **/binding.jca/outboundConnection/connection/resAuth**  specifies the authentication  
203 | mechanism used by the resource adapter in the managed environment. Valid values are  
204 | "container" and "application". "container" indicates that the SCA runtime takes the  
205 | responsibility for configuring and managing the EIS sign-on; "application" indicates that the  
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security details specified via the **outboundConnection/connectionSpec** element are used instead. If this element is omitted then no authentication is required by this binding definition.

- **/binding.jca/outboundInteraction** – defines characteristics of the outbound interaction.

The **outboundInteraction** element MUST NOT be specified for services [BJC20009].

- **/binding.jca/outboundInteraction/connectionSpec** → specifies client-level connection properties to be used when creating a connection. The ConnectionSpec object is used in several patterns that justify its definition in the interaction binding.

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- **/binding.jca/outboundInteraction/connectionSpec/@type** → the **fully qualified** name of the class implementing javax.resource.cci.ConnectionSpec interface to be used when creating a connection.

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If the **outboundInteraction/connectionSpec/@type** attribute is specified and the named Java class cannot be located or does not implement the javax.resource.cci.ConnectionSpec interface the SCA runtime MUST raise an error [BJC20030].

- **/binding.jca/outboundInteraction/connectionSpec/property** – specifies the set of client-level connection properties to be used when creating a connection, e.g. user name or password.

- **/binding.jca/outboundInteraction/interactionSpec** – specifies the interaction properties that apply to all operations that do not have one defined via an **operation** element.

When an operation is invoked via a reference with a **binding.jca** element, if there is an **outboundInteraction/operation** element whose **@name** attribute matches the name of the operation being invoked, the SCA runtime MUST use the values supplied by the **interactionSpec** child of the operation element instead of the **interactionSpec** child of the **binding.jca** element, if any [BJC20025].

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- **/binding.jca/outboundInteraction/interactionSpec/@type** – the **fully qualified** name of the class implementing the javax.resource.cci.InteractionSpec interface.

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If the **outboundInteraction/interactionSpec/@type** attribute is specified and the named Java class cannot be located or does not implement the javax.resource.cci.InteractionSpec interface the SCA runtime MUST raise an error [BJC20032].

- **/binding.jca/outboundInteraction/interactionSpec/property** – specifies the set of interaction properties.

- **/binding.jca/outboundInteraction/operation** → specifies interactionSpec properties for individual operations in the interface associated with the binding.

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- **/binding.jca/outboundInteraction/operation/@name** → the name of the operation in the interface for which the interactionSpec properties apply.

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The value of the **outboundInteraction/operation/@name** attribute MUST be unique within the **outboundInteraction** element and MUST match the name of one of the operations in the containing service's or reference's interface [BJC20026].

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- **/binding.jca/outboundInteraction/operation/interactionSpec** → specifies the interaction properties for the named operation.

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- **/binding.jca/outboundInteraction/operation/interactionSpec/@type** – the fully qualified name of the class implementing the javax.resource.cci.InteractionSpec interface.

If the **outboundInteraction/operation/interactionSpec/@type** attribute is specified and the named Java class cannot be located or does not implement the javax.resource.cci.InteractionSpec interface the SCA runtime MUST raise an error [BJC20033].

- **/binding.jca/inboundConnection** – defines the inbound connection characteristics.

The **inboundConnection** element MUST NOT be specified for references [BJC20010].

- **/binding.jca/inboundConnection/resourceAdapter** – specifies the name, type and properties of the Resource Adapter Java bean.

The SCA runtime MAY restrict valid properties of the inbound connection's Resource Adapter Java bean depending on the deployment platform [BJC20011].

The ***inboundConnection/resourceAdapter*** element MUST NOT be specified when the ***@managed*** attribute is ***"false"*** [BJC20012].

- ***/binding.jca/inboundConnection/resourceAdapter/@type*** – the fully qualified name of the class implementing the ResourceAdapter interface.  
If the ***inboundConnection/resourceAdapter/@type*** attribute is specified and the named Java class cannot be located or does not implement the ***javax.resource.spi.ResourceAdapter*** interface the SCA runtime MUST raise an error [BJC20029].
- ***/binding.jca/inboundConnection/resourceAdapter/@name*** – the optional name that uniquely identifies the existing instance of the resource adapter.
- ***/binding.jca/inboundConnection/activationSpec*** – identifies the activation spec that the binding uses to connect to an EIS. The attributes of this element follow the rules defined for the ***outboundConnection/connection*** element.
- ***/binding.jca/inboundConnection/activationSpec/@type*** – the fully qualified name of the class implementing the ActivationSpec interface.  
If the ***inboundConnection/activationSpec/@type*** attribute is specified and the named Java class cannot be located or does not implement the ***javax.resource.spi.ActivationSpec*** interface the SCA runtime MUST raise an error [BJC20031].
- ***/binding.jca/inboundConnection/activationSpec/@jndiName*** – the JNDI name of the activation. The behaviour of this attribute is determined by the value of the ***@create*** attribute as defined for the ***outboundConnection/connection/@jndiName*** attribute.
- ***/binding.jca/inboundConnection/activationSpec/@create*** – indicates whether the element containing the attribute should be created when the containing composite is deployed. Valid values are ***"always"***, ***"never"*** and ***"ifNotExist"***. ***"always"*** indicates that new resources are created for use by this binding; ***"never"*** indicates that existing resources are used and none created; ***"ifNotExist"*** indicates that if the resources already exist those are used, otherwise new ones are created. Refer to the ***outboundConnection/connection/@jndiName*** attribute for a detailed definition of each case. The default value is ***"ifNotExist"***.
- ***/binding.jca/inboundInteraction*** – defines characteristics of the inbound interaction.  
The ***inboundInteraction*** element MUST NOT be specified for references [BJC20015].
- ***/binding.jca/inboundInteraction/listener/@type*** – the fully qualified name of the listener interface supported by this group of interactions.  
If the ***inboundInteraction/listener*** element is not specified, the SCA runtime MUST use the default ***javax.resource.cci.MessageListener*** interface from the JCA specification [BJC20016].  
If the ***inboundInteraction/listener/@type*** attribute is specified and the named Java class cannot be located or does not implement the ***javax.resource.cci.MessageListener*** interface the SCA runtime MUST raise an error [BJC20034].
- ***/binding.jca/inboundInteraction/inboundOperation*** – maps the name of the EIS event received by ResourceAdapter to the name of the operation in the interface.
- ***/binding.jca/inboundInteraction/inboundOperation/@name*** – the name of the operation in the interface.  
The value of the ***inboundInteraction/inboundOperation/@name*** attribute MUST match the name of one of the operations in the containing service's or reference's interface [BJC20023].
- ***/binding.jca/inboundInteraction/inboundOperation/@selectedOperation*** – the value generated by the ***operationSelector*** that corresponds to the operation in the service or reference interface identified by the ***operationProperties/@name*** attribute.  
The value of the ***inboundInteraction/inboundOperation/@selectedOperation*** attribute MUST be unique across the ***inboundInteraction*** element [BJC20024].
- ***/binding.jca/wireFormat*** – identifies the wire format used by requests and responses sent or received by this binding as defined in the ***SCA Assembly Specification [SCA-Assembly]***.
- ***/binding.jca/operationSelector*** – identifies the operation selector used when receiving requests for a service as defined in the ***SCA Assembly Specification [SCA-Assembly]***.

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307 The ***binding.jca*** element MUST conform to the XML schema defined in sca-binding-jca-1.1.xsd  
308 [BJC20017].

## 309 2.1 Extensibility

310 The JCA Binding allows further customization of the binding element and its subelements with vendor  
311 specific attributes or elements. This is done by providing extension points in the schema; refer to  
312 Appendix A, "JCA XML Binding Schema: sca-binding-jca-1.1.xsd" for the locations of these extension  
313 points.

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### 314 3 Policy

315 The JCA Specification **[JCA15]** does not define generic Resource Adapter characteristics that could be  
316 set using standard policy intents as defined in the SCA Policy Specification **[SCA-Policy]**. This  
317 specification places no requirements on the intents that are listed as either *@alwaysProvides* or  
318 *@mayProvides* in the *bindingType* for *binding.jca*.

## 4 Operation Selectors and Wire Formats

In general JCA resource adapters deal with records. There is not usually a built-in concept of “operation” that corresponds to that defined in a [WSDL \[WSDL\]](#) portType. Records have a format which corresponds in some way to the schema of an input or output message of an operation in the interface of a service or reference, however additional Resource Adapter-specific information is required in order for an SCA runtime to know how to identify the operation and understand the format of records.

The process of identifying the operation to be invoked is **operation selection**; the information that describes the contents of messages is a **wire format**. The binding element as described in the [SCA Assembly Specification \[SCA-Assembly\]](#) provides the means to identify specific operation selection via the **operationSelector** element and the format of messages received and to be sent using the **wireFormat** element.

When a service with a JCA binding receives a message, the SCA runtime resolves the name of the operation in the service's interface that is to be invoked by using the **operationSelector** and **inboundInteraction** elements defined for the binding. The resolved operation name is defined as follows:

- If the selected operation name generated by the **operationSelector** matches the value of an **inboundInteraction/inboundOperation/@selectedOperation** attribute then the resolved operation name is the value of the **inboundInteraction/inboundOperation/@name** attribute.
- Otherwise the resolved operation name is the selected operation name generated by the **operationSelector**.

When a message is received at an SCA service with JCA binding, the SCA runtime MUST invoke the target component using the resolved operation name [BJC40001].

When a message is received at an SCA service with JCA binding and the resolved operation name is not in the target component's interface the SCA runtime MUST raise an error [BJC40002].

This specification does not define default behavior for the operation selection or wire format of a JCA binding. This choice had been made because the implementations of generic Record interfaces that define the data exchanged between JCA adapter and its client are specific to a particular adapter and, unlike JMS, cannot be used in a generic manner.

No standard means is provided for linking the **wireFormat** or **operationSelector** elements with the runtime components that implement their behavior.

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## 5 Examples

### 5.1 Minimal JCA Binding

The minimal JCA Binding [in](#) Snippet 5-1 only contains the binding's *@uri* attribute with the JNDI name of the connection factory, which allows the binding runtime to obtain a Connection to execute requests against the EIS. Since no interaction properties are specified, it is assumed that Resource Adapter accepts null values for the invocation methods.

```
<!-- JCA reference, connection is configured in JNDI context -->
<reference name="EISHelloWorldReference">
  <binding.jca uri="java:comp/env/eis/EISMCF"/>
</reference>
```

*Snippet 5-1: Example Minimal Binding*

### 5.2 Existing resources

In the example reference with JCA Binding in Snippet 5-2 the binding's *@uri* attribute specifies the existing resource - the JNDI name under which the connection factory object is located. The interaction properties are specified explicitly in the inlined *outboundInteraction* element.

```
<reference name="EISHelloWorldReference">
  <binding.jca uri="java:comp/env/eis/EISMCF">
    <outboundInteraction>

      <connectionSpec>
        <property name="userid">SYSAD</property>
      </connectionSpec>

      <operation name="hello">
        <interactionSpec>
          <property name="dir">temp</property>
          <property name="fileMode">read</property>
        </interactionSpec>
      </operation>

    </outboundInteraction>
  </binding.jca>
</reference>
```

*Snippet 5-2: Example Binding Using Existing Resources*

### 5.3 Resource Creation

Snippet 5-3 presents a reference with a JCA binding where the connection resources do not exist and need to be created.

```
<reference name="JCAHelloWorldReference">
  <binding.jca>
    <outboundConnection managed="true">
      <resourceAdapter
        name="connector.file.FAResourceAdapter">
        <property name="logDrive">D</property>
      </resourceAdapter>
      <connection jndiName="FAManagedConnectionFactory"
        create="always">
        <property name="host">localhost</property>
        <property name="drive">C</property>
      </connection>
    </outboundConnection>
  </binding.jca>
</reference>
```

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</binding.jca>

</reference>

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Snippet 5-3: Example Binding that Creates a Resource

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## 6 Conformance

The XML schema pointed to by the RDDDL document at the namespace URI, defined by this specification, are considered to be authoritative and take precedence over the XML schema defined in the appendix of this document. There are two categories of artifacts for which this specification defines conformance:

- a) SCA JCA Binding XML Document
- b) SCA Runtime

### 6.1 SCA JCA Binding XML Document

An SCA JCA Binding XML document is an SCA Composite Document or an SCA ComponentType Document, as defined by the [SCA Assembly specification Section 13.1 \[SCA-Assembly\]](#), that uses the ***binding.jca*** element.

An SCA JCA Binding XML document MUST be a conformant SCA Composite Document or an SCA ComponentType Document, as defined by the [SCA Assembly Specification \[SCA-Assembly\]](#), and MUST comply with all statements in Appendix B: "Conformance Items" related to elements and attributes in an SCA JCA Binding XML document, notably all "MUST" statements have to be implemented.

### 6.2 SCA Runtime

An implementation that claims to conform to the requirements of an SCA Runtime defined in this specification has to meet the following conditions:

1. The implementation MUST comply with all statements in Appendix B: "Conformance Items" related to an SCA Runtime, notably all "MUST" statements have to be implemented
2. The implementation MUST conform to the [SCA Assembly Model Specification Version 1.1 \[SCA-Assembly\]](#), and to the [SCA Policy Framework Version 1.1 \[SCA-Policy\]](#)
3. The implementation MUST reject an SCA JCA Binding XML Document that is not conformant per Section 6.1

## 426 A. JCA XML Binding Schema: sca-binding-jca-1.1.xsd

```
427 <?xml version="1.0" encoding="UTF-8"?>
428 <!-- Copyright (C) OASIS (R) 2005, 2009. All Rights Reserved.
429 OASIS trademark, IPR and other policies apply. -->
430 <schema xmlns="http://www.w3.org/2001/XMLSchema"
431 targetNamespace="http://docs.oasis-open.org/ns/opencsa/sca/200903"
432 xmlns:sca="http://docs.oasis-open.org/ns/opencsa/sca/200903"
433 elementFormDefault="qualified">
434
435 <include schemaLocation="sca-core-1.1-cd03.xsd" />
436
437 <complexType name="JCABinding">
438 <complexContent>
439 <extension base="sca:Binding">
440 <sequence>
441 <element name="outboundConnection"
442 type="sca:JCAOutboundConnection" minOccurs="0" />
443 <element name="inboundConnection"
444 type="sca:JCAInboundConnection" minOccurs="0" />
445 <element name="outboundInteraction"
446 type="sca:JCAOutboundInteraction" minOccurs="0" />
447 <element name="inboundInteraction"
448 type="sca:JCAInboundInteraction" minOccurs="0" />
449 <element name="property" type="sca:Property" minOccurs="0"
450 maxOccurs="unbounded" />
451 <any namespace="##other" processContents="lax" minOccurs="0"
452 maxOccurs="unbounded" />
453 </sequence>
454 <attribute name="initialContextFactory" type="anyURI"
455 use="optional"/>
456 <attribute name="jndiURL" type="anyURI" use="optional"/>
457 </extension>
458 </complexContent>
459 </complexType>
460
461 <simpleType name="JCACreateResource">
462 <restriction base="string">
463 <enumeration value="always" />
464 <enumeration value="never" />
465 <enumeration value="ifNotExist" />
466 </restriction>
467 </simpleType>
468
469 <simpleType name="ResAuth">
470 <restriction base="string">
471 <enumeration value="container" />
472 <enumeration value="application" />
473 </restriction>
474 </simpleType>
475
476 <complexType name="JCAOutboundConnection">
477 <sequence>
478 <element name="resourceAdapter" type="sca:ResourceAdapter"
479 minOccurs="0" />
480 <element name="connection" type="sca:Connection" />
481 <element name="resAuth" type="sca:ResAuth" minOccurs="0" />
482 <any namespace="##other" processContents="lax" minOccurs="0"
483 maxOccurs="unbounded" />
484 </sequence>
485 <attribute name="managed" type="boolean" use="optional"
486 default="true" />
487 <anyAttribute namespace="##other" processContents="lax" />
```

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486 </complexType>
487 <complexType name="JCAInboundConnection">
488   <sequence>
489     <element name="resourceAdapter" type="sca:ResourceAdapter" />
490     <element name="activationSpec" type="sca:ActivationSpec" />
491     <any namespace="##other" processContents="lax" minOccurs="0"
492         maxOccurs="unbounded" />
493   </sequence>
494   <anyAttribute namespace="##other" processContents="lax" />
495 </complexType>
496 <complexType name="JCAOutboundInteraction">
497   <sequence>
498     <element name="connectionSpec" type="sca:ConnectionSpec"
499         minOccurs="0" />
500     <element name="interactionSpec" type="sca:InteractionSpec"
501         minOccurs="0" />
502     <element name="operation" type="sca:Operation" minOccurs="0" />
503     <any namespace="##other" processContents="lax" minOccurs="0"
504         maxOccurs="unbounded" />
505   </sequence>
506   <anyAttribute namespace="##other" processContents="lax" />
507 </complexType>
508 <complexType name="JCAInboundInteraction">
509   <sequence>
510     <element name="listener" type="string" minOccurs="0" />
511     <element name="inboundOperation" type="sca:InboundOperation"
512         minOccurs="0" maxOccurs="unbounded" />
513     <any namespace="##other" processContents="lax" minOccurs="0"
514         maxOccurs="unbounded" />
515   </sequence>
516   <anyAttribute namespace="##other" processContents="lax" />
517 </complexType>
518 <complexType name="ResourceAdapter">
519   <sequence>
520     <element name="property" type="sca:Property" minOccurs="0"
521         maxOccurs="unbounded" />
522     <any namespace="##other" processContents="lax" minOccurs="0"
523         maxOccurs="unbounded" />
524   </sequence>
525   <attribute name="name" type="NMToken" use="optional" />
526   <attribute name="type" type="NMToken" use="required" />
527   <anyAttribute namespace="##other" processContents="lax" />
528 </complexType>
529 <complexType name="Connection">
530   <sequence>
531     <element name="property" type="sca:Property" minOccurs="0"
532         maxOccurs="unbounded" />
533     <any namespace="##other" processContents="lax" minOccurs="0"
534         maxOccurs="unbounded" />
535   </sequence>
536   <attribute name="jndiName" type="anyURI" use="optional" />
537   <attribute name="type" type="NMToken" use="required" />
538   <attribute name="create" type="sca:JCACreateResource" use="optional"
539       default="ifNotExist" />
540   <anyAttribute namespace="##other" processContents="lax" />
541 </complexType>
542 <complexType name="ActivationSpec">
543   <sequence>
544     <element name="property" type="sca:Property" minOccurs="0"
545         maxOccurs="unbounded" />
546     <any namespace="##other" processContents="lax" minOccurs="0"
547         maxOccurs="unbounded" />
548   </sequence>
549   <attribute name="jndiName" type="anyURI" use="optional" />

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```

550     <attribute name="type" type="NMTOKEN" use="required" />
551     <attribute name="create" type="sca:JCACreateResource" use="optional"
552         default="ifNotExist"/>
553     <anyAttribute namespace="##other" processContents="lax" />
554 </complexType>
555 <complexType name="Operation">
556     <sequence>
557         <element name="interactionSpec" type="sca:InteractionSpec"
558             minOccurs="0" />
559         <any namespace="##other" processContents="lax" minOccurs="0"
560             maxOccurs="unbounded" />
561     </sequence>
562     <attribute name="name" type="NMTOKEN" use="required" />
563     <anyAttribute namespace="##other" processContents="lax" />
564 </complexType>
565 <complexType name="InboundOperation">
566     <sequence>
567         <any namespace="##other" processContents="lax" minOccurs="0"
568             maxOccurs="unbounded" />
569     </sequence>
570     <attribute name="name" type="NMTOKEN" use="required" />
571     <attribute name="selectedOperation" type="string" use="required" />
572     <anyAttribute namespace="##other" processContents="lax" />
573 </complexType>
574 <complexType name="ConnectionSpec">
575     <sequence>
576         <element name="property" type="sca:Property" minOccurs="0"
577             maxOccurs="unbounded" />
578         <any namespace="##other" processContents="lax" minOccurs="0"
579             maxOccurs="unbounded" />
580     </sequence>
581     <attribute name="type" type="NMTOKEN" use="required" />
582     <anyAttribute namespace="##other" processContents="lax" />
583 </complexType>
584 <complexType name="InteractionSpec">
585     <sequence>
586         <element name="property" type="sca:Property" minOccurs="0"
587             maxOccurs="unbounded" />
588         <any namespace="##other" processContents="lax" minOccurs="0"
589             maxOccurs="unbounded" />
590     </sequence>
591     <attribute name="type" type="NMTOKEN" use="required" />
592     <anyAttribute namespace="##other" processContents="lax" />
593 </complexType>
594
595     <element name="binding.jca" type="sca:JCABinding"
596         substitutionGroup="sca:binding" />
597 </schema>

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## 598 B. Conformance Items

599 This section contains a list of conformance items for the SCA JCA Binding specification.

Conformance ID	Description
[BJC20001]	The <b>@uri</b> attribute, the <b>inboundConnection</b> and the <b>outboundConnection</b> element are mutually exclusive and the SCA runtime MUST raise an error if more than one is present
[BJC20002]	The <b>@initialContextFactory</b> attribute MUST NOT be specified if the <b>@uri</b> attribute is not present
[BJC20003]	The <b>@jndiURL</b> attribute MUST NOT be specified if the <b>@uri</b> attribute is not present
[BJC20004]	The <b>outboundConnection</b> element MUST NOT be specified for services
[BJC20005]	The SCA runtime MAY restrict valid properties of the outbound connection's Resource Adapter Java bean depending on the deployment platform
[BJC20006]	The <b>outboundConnection/resourceAdapter</b> element MUST NOT be specified when the <b>@managed</b> attribute value is <b>"false"</b>
[BJC20007]	If the <b>@create</b> attribute value for an <b>outboundConnection/connection</b> or <b>inboundConnection/activationSpec</b> element is "always" and the <b>@jndiName</b> attribute is present and the resource cannot be created at the location specified by the <b>@jndiName</b> attribute, then the SCA runtime MUST raise an error
[BJC20008]	If the <b>@create</b> attribute value for an <b>outboundConnection/connection</b> or <b>inboundConnection/activationSpec</b> element is "always" and the <b>@jndiName</b> attribute is not present and the resource cannot be created, then the SCA runtime MUST raise an error
[BJC20009]	The <b>outboundInteraction</b> element MUST NOT be specified for services
[BJC20010]	The <b>inboundConnection</b> element MUST NOT be specified for references
[BJC20011]	The SCA runtime MAY restrict valid properties of the inbound connection's Resource Adapter Java bean depending on the deployment platform
[BJC20012]	The <b>inboundConnection/resourceAdapter</b> element MUST NOT be specified when the <b>@managed</b> attribute is <b>"false"</b>
[BJC20013]	If the <b>@create</b> attribute value for an <b>outboundConnection/connection</b> or <b>inboundConnection/activationSpec</b> element is "ifNotExist" then the <b>@jndiName</b> attribute MUST specify the location of the possibly existing resource
[BJC20014]	If the <b>@create</b> attribute value for an <b>outboundConnection/connection</b> or <b>inboundConnection/activationSpec</b> element is "ifNotExist" and the resource does not exist at the location identified by the <b>@jndiName</b> attribute, but cannot be created there then the SCA runtime MUST raise an error
[BJC20015]	The <b>inboundInteraction</b> element MUST NOT be specified for references
[BJC20016]	If the <b>inboundInteraction/listener</b> element is not specified, the SCA runtime MUST <b>use the default</b> <code>javax.resource.cci.MessageListener</code> interface from the

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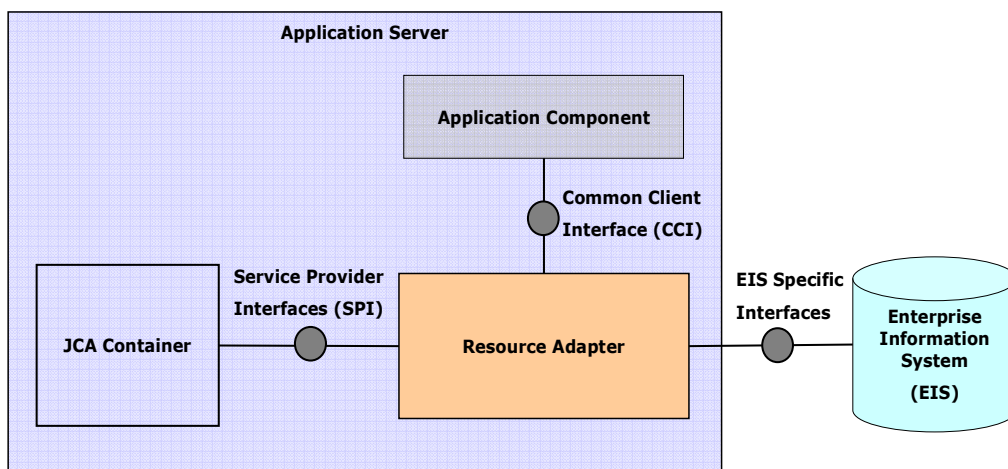
	JCA specification
[BJC20017]	The <b>binding.jca</b> element MUST conform to the XML schema defined in sca-binding-jca-1.1.xsd
[BJC20018]	If the <b>@create</b> attribute value for an <b>outboundConnection/connection</b> or <b>inboundConnection/activationSpec</b> element is "ifNotExist" and the <b>@jndiName</b> attribute refers to an existing resource that is not a connection factory of the appropriate type or an activation spec of the appropriate type respectively then the SCA runtime MUST raise an error
[BJC20019]	If the <b>@create</b> attribute value for an <b>outboundConnection/connection</b> or <b>inboundConnection/activationSpec</b> element is "never" then the <b>@jndiName</b> attribute MUST specify the location of the existing resource
[BJC20020]	If the <b>@create</b> attribute value for an <b>outboundConnection/connection</b> or <b>inboundConnection/activationSpec</b> element is "never" and the resource is not present at the location identified by the <b>@jndiName</b> attribute, or the location refers to a resource of an incorrect type then the SCA runtime MUST raise an error
[BJC20021]	For an SCA service with a <b>binding.jca</b> element with the <b>@uri</b> attribute value specified, if the JNDI location identified by the <b>@uri</b> attribute does not locate an Activation Spec the SCA runtime MUST raise an error
[BJC20022]	For an SCA reference with a <b>binding.jca</b> element with the <b>@uri</b> attribute value specified, if the JNDI location identified by the <b>@uri</b> attribute does not locate a Connection Factory the SCA runtime MUST raise an error
[BJC20023]	The value of the <b>inboundInteraction/inboundOperation/@name</b> attribute MUST match the name of one of the operations in the containing service's or reference's interface
[BJC20024]	The value of the <b>inboundInteraction/inboundOperation/@selectedOperation</b> attribute MUST be unique across the inboundInteraction element
[BJC20025]	When an operation is invoked via a reference with a <b>binding.jca</b> element, if there is an <b>outboundInteraction/operation</b> element whose <b>@name</b> attribute matches the name of the operation being invoked, the SCA runtime MUST use the values supplied by the <b>interactionSpec</b> child of the operation element instead of the <b>interactionSpec</b> child of the <b>binding.jca</b> element, if any
[BJC20026]	The value of the <b>outboundInteraction/operation/@name</b> attribute MUST be unique within the <b>outboundInteraction</b> element and MUST match the name of one of the operations in the containing service's or reference's interface
[BJC20028]	If the <b>outboundConnection/resourceAdapter/@type</b> attribute is specified and the named Java class cannot be located or does not implement the <b>javax.resource.spi.ResourceAdapter</b> interface the SCA runtime MUST raise an error
[BJC20029]	If the <b>inboundConnection/resourceAdapter/@type</b> attribute is specified and the named Java class cannot be located or does not implement the <b>javax.resource.spi.ResourceAdapter</b> interface the SCA runtime MUST raise an error
[BJC20030]	If the <b>outboundInteraction/connectionSpec/@type</b> attribute is specified and the named Java class cannot be located or does not implement the <b>javax.resource.cci.ConnectionSpec</b> interface the SCA runtime MUST raise an error

	error
[BJC20031]	If the <i>inboundConnection/activationSpec/@type</i> attribute is specified and the named Java class cannot be located or does not implement the <code>javax.resource.spi.ActivationSpec</code> interface the SCA runtime MUST raise an error
[BJC20032]	If the <i>outboundInteraction/interactionSpec/@type</i> attribute is specified and the named Java class cannot be located or does not implement the <code>javax.resource.cci.InteractionSpec</code> interface the SCA runtime MUST raise an error
[BJC20033]	If the <i>outboundInteraction/operation/interactionSpec/@type</i> attribute is specified and the named Java class cannot be located or does not implement the <code>javax.resource.cci.InteractionSpec</code> interface the SCA runtime MUST raise an error
[BJC20034]	If the <i>inboundInteraction/listener/@type</i> attribute is specified and the named Java class cannot be located or does not implement the <code>javax.resource.cci.MessageListener</code> interface the SCA runtime MUST raise an error
[BJC40001]	When a message is received at an SCA service with JCA binding, the SCA runtime MUST invoke the target component using the resolved operation name
[BJC40002]	When a message is received at an SCA service with JCA binding and the resolved operation name is not in the target component's interface the SCA runtime MUST raise an error

## C. Java EE Connector Architecture

### C.1 Introduction

The connector architecture specification defines set of contracts that allow interoperability of the resource adapters and application server environments. The specification also defines set of client interfaces that can be optionally supported by the adapter and allow the use of adapter functionality by the application clients. The following figure illustrates the relationships of these interfaces.



The SPI defines the following management contracts that give adapter consistent view of the infrastructure provided by the server and give sever consistent view of all the adapters thus helping with integration of adapters and servers.

- Lifecycle management allows application server to control the startup of the adapter and notification to allow it to shutdown in an orderly fashion
- Work management allows the adapter to use the server resources such as threads in an efficient way and allows server to manage system resources appropriately.
- Connection management lets the server control the pooling, reusing and caching of the physical connections to the EIS system thus allowing for better scalability.
- Transactions allow the server to control EIS resource managers and provide application clients with the transactional access to external resources.
- Security contract allow for secure access to the EIS systems with security information configured and provided by the application server
- Message inflow contract allows Resource Adapter to deliver events initiated by the EIS system to the application component executing on the application server.
- Transaction inflow contract allow the application server to participate and execute in the context of the transaction initiated by the EIS system.

The CCI defines set of interfaces to access EIS functionality, through the resource adapter, from the application client. The CCI also provides access to some of the SPIs for transactions and security management to allow for executions of clients running in the non-managed mode, without the presence of the Application Server.



## 629 C.2 Selected JCA CCI Interfaces

### 630 Record

```
631 public interface javax.resource.cci.Record
632     extends java.lang.Cloneable, java.io.Serializable {
633
634     public String getRecordName();
635     public void setRecordName(String name);
636     public void setRecordShortDescription(String description);
637     public String getRecordShortDescription();
638     public boolean equals(Object other);
639     public int hashCode();
640     public Object clone() throws CloneNotSupportedException;
641 }
```

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### 643 Interaction

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```
645 public interface javax.resource.cci.Interaction {
646
647     public Connection getConnection();
648     public void close() throws ResourceException;
649     public boolean execute(InteractionSpec ispec,
650         Record input, Record output) throws ResourceException;
651     public Record execute(InteractionSpec ispec,
652         Record input) throws ResourceException;
653
654 }
```

### 655 MessageListener

656

```
657 interface javax.resource.cci.MessageListener {
658
659     Record onMessage(Record inputData) throws ResourceException;
660 }
```

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cd01-rev1	2008-10-16	Simon Holdsworth	Updates to resolve following issues: BINDINGS-41
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cd02-rev2	2009-05-22	Simon Holdsworth	Updates to resolve following issues: BINDINGS-22 BINDINGS-45 BINDINGS-58 BINDINGS-69 Fixed errors in schema
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