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# Chapter 1. Introduction

Apache Qpid is a reliable, asynchronous messaging system that supports the AMQP messaging protocol in several common programming languages. Qpid is supported on most common platforms.

- On the Java platform, Qpid uses the established Java JMS API [<http://java.sun.com/products/jms/>].
- For Python, C++, and .NET, Qpid defines its own messaging API, the *Qpid Messaging API*, which is conceptually similar in each.

On the .NET platform, Qpid also provides a WCF binding.

- Ruby will also use the Qpid Messaging API, which will soon be implemented. (Ruby currently uses an API that is closely tied to the AMQP version).

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# Chapter 2. Using the Qpid Messaging API

The Qpid Messaging API is quite simple, consisting of only a handful of core classes.

- A *message* consists of a standard set of fields (e.g. `subject`, `reply-to`), an application-defined set of properties, and message content (the main body of the message).
- A *connection* represents a network connection to a remote endpoint.
- A *session* provides a sequentially ordered context for sending and receiving *messages*. A session is obtained from a connection.
- A *sender* sends messages to a target using the `sender.send` method. A sender is obtained from a session for a given target address.
- A *receiver* receives messages from a source using the `receiver.fetch` method. A receiver is obtained from a session for a given source address.

The following sections show how to use these classes in a simple messaging program.

## 2.1. A Simple Messaging Program in C++

The following C++ program shows how to create a connection, create a session, send messages using a sender, and receive messages using a receiver.



**Example 2.1. "Hello world!" in C++**

```
#include <qpid/messaging/Connection.h>
#include <qpid/messaging/Message.h>
#include <qpid/messaging/Receiver.h>
#include <qpid/messaging/Sender.h>
#include <qpid/messaging/Session.h>

#include <iostream>

using namespace qpid::messaging;

int main(int argc, char** argv) {
    std::string broker = argc > 1 ? argv[1] : "localhost:5672";
    std::string address = argc > 2 ? argv[2] : "amq.topic";
    std::string connectionOptions = argc > 3 ? argv[3] : "";

    Connection connection(broker, connectionOptions);
    try {
        connection.open(); 1
        Session session = connection.createSession(); 2

        Receiver receiver = session.createReceiver(address); 3
        Sender sender = session.createSender(address); 4

        sender.send(Message("Hello world!"));

        Message message = receiver.fetch(Duration::SECOND * 1); 5
        std::cout << message.getContent() << std::endl;
        session.acknowledge(); 6

        connection.close(); 7
        return 0;
    } catch(const std::exception& error) {
        std::cerr << error.what() << std::endl;
        connection.close();
        return 1;
    }
}
```

- 1** Establishes the connection with the messaging broker.
- 2** Creates a session object on which messages will be sent and received.
- 3** Creates a receiver that receives messages from the given address.
- 4** Creates a sender that sends to the given address.
- 5** Receives the next message. The duration is optional, if omitted, will wait indefinitely for the next message.
- 6** Acknowledges receipt of all fetched messages on the session. This informs the broker that the messages were transferred and processed by the client successfully.
- 7** Closes the connection, all sessions managed by the connection, and all senders and receivers managed by each session.

## 2.2. A Simple Messaging Program in Python

The following Python program shows how to create a connection, create a session, send messages using a sender, and receive messages using a receiver.

### Example 2.2. "Hello world!" in Python

```
import sys
from qpid.messaging import *

broker = "localhost:5672" if len(sys.argv)<2 else sys.argv[1]
address = "amq.topic" if len(sys.argv)<3 else sys.argv[2]

connection = Connection(broker)

try:
    connection.open() ❶
    session = connection.session() ❷

    sender = session.sender(address) ❸
    receiver = session.receiver(address) ❹

    sender.send(Message("Hello world!"));

    message = receiver.fetch(timeout=1) ❺
    print message.content
    session.acknowledge() ❻

except MessagingError, m:
    print m
finally:
    connection.close() ❼
```

- ❶ Establishes the connection with the messaging broker.
- ❷ Creates a session object on which messages will be sent and received.
- ❹ Creates a receiver that receives messages from the given address.
- ❸ Creates a sender that sends to the given address.
- ❺ Receives the next message. The duration is optional, if omitted, will wait indefinitely for the next message.
- ❻ Acknowledges receipt of all fetched messages on the session. This informs the broker that the messages were transferred and processed by the client successfully.
- ❼ Closes the connection, all sessions managed by the connection, and all senders and receivers managed by each session.

## 2.3. A Simple Messaging Program in .NET C#

The following .NET C#<sup>1</sup> program shows how to create a connection, create a session, send messages using a sender, and receive messages using a receiver.

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<sup>1</sup> The .NET binding for the Qpid C++ Messaging API applies to all .NET Framework managed code languages. C# was chosen for illustration purposes only.

**Example 2.3. "Hello world!" in .NET C#**

```

using System;
using Org.Apache.Qpid.Messaging; ❶

namespace Org.Apache.Qpid.Messaging {
    class Program {
        static void Main(string[] args) {
            String broker = args.Length > 0 ? args[0] : "localhost:5672";
            String address = args.Length > 1 ? args[1] : "amq.topic";

            Connection connection = null;
            try {
                connection = new Connection(broker);
                connection.Open(); ❷
                Session session = connection.CreateSession(); ❸

                Receiver receiver = session.CreateReceiver(address); ❹
                Sender sender = session.CreateSender(address); ❺

                sender.Send(new Message("Hello world!"));

                Message message = new Message();
                message = receiver.Fetch(DurationConstants.SECOND * 1); ❻
                Console.WriteLine("{0}", message.GetContent());
                session.Acknowledge(); ❼

                connection.Close(); ❽
            } catch (Exception e) {
                Console.WriteLine("Exception {0}.", e);
                if (null != connection)
                    connection.Close();
            }
        }
    }
}

```

❶ Permits use of `Org.Apache.Qpid.Messaging` types and methods without explicit namespace qualification. Any .NET project must have a project reference to the assembly file `Org.Apache.Qpid.Messaging.dll` in order to obtain the definitions of the .NET Binding for Qpid Messaging namespace.

❷ Establishes the connection with the messaging broker.

❸ Creates a session object on which messages will be sent and received.

❹ Creates a receiver that receives messages from the given address.

❺ Creates a sender that sends to the given address.

❻ Receives the next message. The duration is optional, if omitted, will wait indefinitely for the next message.

❼ Acknowledges receipt of all fetched messages on the session. This informs the broker that the messages were transferred and processed by the client successfully.

❽ Closes the connection, all sessions managed by the connection, and all senders and receivers managed by each session.

<sup>2</sup>In the programs we have seen we used `amq.topic` as the default address if none is passed in. This is the name of a standard exchange that always exists on an AMQP 0-10 messaging broker.

## 2.4. Addresses

An *address* is the name of a message target or message source.<sup>2</sup> The methods that create senders and receivers require an address. The details of sending to a particular target or receiving from a particular source are then handled by the sender or receiver. A different target or source can be used simply by using a different address.

An address resolves to a *node*. The Qpid Messaging API recognises two kinds of nodes, *queues* and *topics*<sup>3</sup>. A queue stores each message until it has been received and acknowledged, and only one receiver can receive a given message<sup>4</sup>. A topic immediately delivers a message to all eligible receivers; if there are no eligible receivers, it discards the message. In the AMQP 0-10 implementation of the API,<sup>5</sup> queues map to AMQP queues, and topics map to AMQP exchanges.<sup>6</sup>

In the rest of this tutorial, we present many examples using two programs that take an address as a command line parameter. **spout** sends messages to the target address, **drain** receives messages from the source address. The source code is available in C++, Python, and .NET C# and can be found in the examples directory for each language. These programs can use any address string as a source or a destination, and have many command line options to configure behavior—use the **-h** option for documentation on these options.<sup>7</sup> The examples in this tutorial also use the **qpid-config** utility to configure AMQP 0-10 queues and exchanges on a Qpid broker.

### Example 2.4. Queues

Create a queue with **qpid-config**, send a message using **spout**, and read it using **drain**:

```
$ qpid-config add queue hello-world
$ ./spout hello-world
$ ./drain hello-world
```

```
Message(properties={spout-id:c877e622-d57b-4df2-bf3e-6014c68da0ea:0}, content='')
```

The queue stored the message sent by **spout** and delivered it to **drain** when requested.

Once the message has been delivered and acknowledged by **drain**, it is no longer available on the queue. If we run **drain** one more time, no messages will be retrieved.

```
$ ./drain hello-world
$
```

---

<sup>3</sup>The terms *queue* and *topic* here were chosen to align with their meaning in JMS. These two addressing 'patterns', queue and topic, are sometimes referred to as point-to-point and publish-subscribe. AMQP 0-10 has an exchange type called a *topic exchange*. When the term *topic* occurs alone, it refers to a Messaging API topic, not the topic exchange.

<sup>4</sup>There are exceptions to this rule; for instance, a receiver can use *browse* mode, which leaves messages on the queue for other receivers to read.

<sup>5</sup>The AMQP 0-10 implementation is the only one that currently exists.

<sup>6</sup>In AMQP 0-10, messages are sent to exchanges, and read from queues. The Messaging API also allows a sender to send messages to a queue; internally, Qpid implements this by sending the message to the default exchange, with the name of the queue as the routing key. The Messaging API also allows a receiver to receive messages from a topic; internally, Qpid implements this by setting up a private subscription queue for the receiver and binding the subscription queue to the exchange that corresponds to the topic.

<sup>7</sup>Currently, the C++, Python, and .NET C# implementations of **drain** and **spout** have slightly different options. This tutorial uses the C++ implementation. The options will be reconciled in the near future.

## Example 2.5. Topics

This example is similar to the previous example, but it uses a topic instead of a queue.

First, use **qpidd-config** to remove the queue and create an exchange with the same name:

```
$ qpidd-config del queue hello-world
$ qpidd-config add exchange topic hello-world
```

Now run **drain** and **spout** the same way we did in the previous example:

```
$ ./spout hello-world
$ ./drain hello-world
$
```

Topics deliver messages immediately to any interested receiver, and do not store messages. Because there were no receivers at the time **spout** sent the message, it was simply discarded. When we ran **drain**, there were no messages to receive.

Now let's run **drain** first, using the `-t` option to specify a timeout in seconds. While **drain** is waiting for messages, run **spout** in another window.

*First Window:*

```
$ ./drain -t 30 hello-word
```

*Second Window:*

```
$ ./spout hello-word
```

Once **spout** has sent a message, return to the first window to see the output from **drain**:

```
Message(properties={spout-id:7da2d27d-93e6-4803-8a61-536d87b8d93f:0}, content='')
```

You can run **drain** in several separate windows; each creates a subscription for the exchange, and each receives all messages sent to the exchange.

## 2.4.1. Address Strings

So far, our examples have used address strings that contain only the name of a node. An *address string* can also contain a *subject* and *options*.

The syntax for an address string is:

```
address_string ::= <address> [ / <subject> ] [ ; <options> ]  
options ::= { <key> : <value>, ... }
```

Addresses, subjects, and keys are strings. Values can be numbers, strings (with optional single or double quotes), maps, or lists. A complete BNF for address strings appears in Section 2.4.4, “Address String Grammar”.

So far, the address strings in this tutorial have only used simple names. The following sections show how to use subjects and options.

## 2.4.2. Subjects

Every message has a property called *subject*, which is analogous to the subject on an email message. If no subject is specified, the message's subject is null. For convenience, address strings also allow a subject. If a sender's address contains a subject, it is used as the default subject for the messages it sends. If a receiver's address contains a subject, it is used to select only messages that match the subject—the matching algorithm depends on the message source.

In AMQP 0-10, each exchange type has its own matching algorithm. This is discussed in Section 2.16, “The AMQP 0-10 mapping”.

### Note

Currently, a receiver bound to a queue ignores subjects, receiving messages from the queue without filtering. Support for subject filtering on queues will be implemented soon.

## Example 2.6. Using subjects

In this example we show how subjects affect message flow.

First, let's use **qpidd-config** to create a topic exchange.

```
$ qpidd-config add exchange topic news-service
```

Now we use **drain** to receive messages from `news-service` that match the subject `sports`.

*First Window:*

```
$ ./drain -t 30 news-service/sports
```

In a second window, let's send messages to `news-service` using two different subjects:

*Second Window:*

```
$ ./spout news-service/sports  
$ ./spout news-service/news
```

Now look at the first window, the message with the subject `sports` has been received, but not the message with the subject `news`:

```
Message(properties={qpidd.subject:sports, spout-id:9441674e-a157-4780-a78e-f7ccea99
```

If you run **drain** in multiple windows using the same subject, all instances of **drain** receive the messages for that subject.

The AMQP exchange type we are using here, `amq.topic`, can also do more sophisticated matching. A sender's subject can contain multiple words separated by a “.” delimiter. For instance, in a news application, the sender might use subjects like `usa.news`, `usa.weather`, `europe.news`, or `europe.weather`. The receiver's subject can include wildcard characters— “#” matches one or more words in the message's subject, “\*” matches a single word. For instance, if the subject in the source address is `*.news`, it matches messages with the subject `europe.news` or `usa.news`; if it is `europe.#`, it matches messages with subjects like `europe.news` or `europe.pseudo.news`.

## Example 2.7. Subjects with multi-word keys

This example uses drain and spout to demonstrate the use of subjects with two-word keys.

Let's use **drain** with the subject `*.news` to listen for messages in which the second word of the key is `news`.

*First Window:*

```
$ ./drain -t 30 news-service/*.news
```

Now let's send messages using several different two-word keys:

*Second Window:*

```
$ ./spout news-service/usa.news
$ ./spout news-service/usa.sports
$ ./spout news-service/europe.sports
$ ./spout news-service/europe.news
```

In the first window, the messages with `news` in the second word of the key have been received:

```
Message(properties={qpid.subject:usa.news, spout-id:73fc8058-5af6-407c-9166-b49a90
Message(properties={qpid.subject:europe.news, spout-id:f72815aa-7be4-4944-99fd-c64
```

Next, let's use **drain** with the subject `#.news` to match any sequence of words that ends with `news`.

*First Window:*

```
$ ./drain -t 30 news-service/#.news
```

In the second window, let's send messages using a variety of different multi-word keys:

*Second Window:*

```
$ ./spout news-service/news
$ ./spout news-service/sports
$ ./spout news-service/usa.news
$ ./spout news-service/usa.sports
$ ./spout news-service/usa.faux.news
$ ./spout news-service/usa.faux.sports
```

In the first window, messages with `news` in the last word of the key have been received:

```
Message(properties={qpid.subject:news, spout-id:cbd42b0f-c87b-4088-8206-26d7627c96
Message(properties={qpid.subject:usa.news, spout-id:234a78d7-daeb-4826-90e1-1c6540
Message(properties={qpid.subject:usa.faux.news, spout-id:6029430a-cfcb-4700-8e9b-c
```



## 2.4.3. Address String Options

The options in an address string can contain additional information for the senders or receivers created for it, including:

- Policies for assertions about the node to which an address refers.

For instance, in the address string `my-queue; {assert: always, node:{ type: queue }}`, the node named `my-queue` must be a queue; if not, the address does not resolve to a node, and an exception is raised.

- Policies for automatically creating or deleting the node to which an address refers.

For instance, in the address string `xoxox ; {create: always}`, the queue `xoxox` is created, if it does not exist, before the address is resolved.

- Extension points that can be used for sender/receiver configuration.

For instance, if the address for a receiver is `my-queue; {mode: browse}`, the receiver works in browse mode, leaving messages on the queue so other receivers can receive them.

- Extension points providing more direct control over the underlying protocol.

For instance, the `x-bindings` property allows greater control over the AMQP 0-10 binding process when an address is resolved.

Let's use some examples to show how these different kinds of address string options affect the behavior of senders and receives.

### 2.4.3.1. assert

In this section, we use the `assert` option to ensure that the address resolves to a node of the required type.

### Example 2.8. Assertions on Nodes

Let's use **qpuid-config** to create a queue and a topic.

```
$ qpuid-config add queue my-queue
$ qpuid-config add exchange topic my-topic
```

We can now use the address specified to drain to assert that it is of a particular type:

```
$ ./drain 'my-queue; {assert: always, node:{ type: queue } }'
$ ./drain 'my-queue; {assert: always, node:{ type: topic } }'
2010-04-20 17:30:46 warning Exception received from broker: not-found: not-found:
Exchange my-queue does not exist
```

The first attempt passed without error as my-queue is indeed a queue. The second attempt however failed; my-queue is not a topic.

We can do the same thing for my-topic:

```
$ ./drain 'my-topic; {assert: always, node:{ type: topic } }'
$ ./drain 'my-topic; {assert: always, node:{ type: queue } }'
2010-04-20 17:31:01 warning Exception received from broker: not-found: not-found:
Queue my-topic does not exist
```

Now let's use the create option to create the queue xoxox if it does not already exist:

### 2.4.3.2. create

In previous examples, we created the queue before listening for messages on it. Using `create: always`, the queue is automatically created if it does not exist.

### Example 2.9. Creating a Queue Automatically

*First Window:*

```
$ ./drain -t 30 "xoxox ; {create: always}"
```

Now we can send messages to this queue:

*Second Window:*

```
$ ./spout "xoxox ; {create: always}"
```

Returning to the first window, we see that **drain** has received this message:

```
Message(properties={spout-id:1a1a3842-1a8b-4f88-8940-b4096e615a7d:0}, content='')
```

The details of the node thus created can be controlled by further options within the node. See Table 2.2, “Node Properties” for details.

### 2.4.3.3. browse

Some options specify message transfer semantics; for instance, they may state whether messages should be consumed or read in browsing mode, or specify reliability characteristics. The following example uses the `browse` option to receive messages without removing them from a queue.

#### Example 2.10. Browsing a Queue

Let's use the `browse` mode to receive messages without removing them from the queue. First we send three messages to the queue:

```
$ ./spout my-queue --content one
$ ./spout my-queue --content two
$ ./spout my-queue --content three
```

Now we use `drain` to get those messages, using the `browse` option:

```
$ ./drain 'my-queue; {mode: browse}'
Message(properties={spout-id: fbb93f30-0e82-4b6d-8c1d-be60eb132530:0}, content='one')
Message(properties={spout-id: ab9e7c31-19b0-4455-8976-34abe83edc5f:0}, content='two')
Message(properties={spout-id: ea75d64d-ea37-47f9-96a9-d38e01c97925:0}, content='three')
```

We can confirm the messages are still on the queue by repeating the `drain`:

```
$ ./drain 'my-queue; {mode: browse}'
Message(properties={spout-id: fbb93f30-0e82-4b6d-8c1d-be60eb132530:0}, content='one')
Message(properties={spout-id: ab9e7c31-19b0-4455-8976-34abe83edc5f:0}, content='two')
Message(properties={spout-id: ea75d64d-ea37-47f9-96a9-d38e01c97925:0}, content='three')
```

### 2.4.3.4. x-bindings

Greater control over the AMQP 0-10 binding process can be achieved by including an `x-bindings` option in an address string. For instance, the XML Exchange is an AMQP 0-10 custom exchange provided by the Apache Qpid C++ broker. It allows messages to be filtered using XQuery; queries can address either message properties or XML content in the body of the message. The `xquery` is specified in the `arguments` field of the AMQP 0-10 command. When using the messaging API an `xquery` can be specified in an address that resolves to an XML exchange by using the `x-bindings` property.

An instance of the XML Exchange must be added before it can be used:

```
$ qpid-config add exchange xml xml
```

When using the XML Exchange, a receiver provides an XQuery as an `x-binding` argument. If the query contains a context item (a path starting with “.”), then it is applied to the content of the message, which must be well-formed XML. For instance, `./weather` is a valid XQuery, which matches any message in which the root element is named `weather`. Here is an address string that contains this query:

```
xml; {  
  link: {  
    x-bindings: [{exchange:xml, key:weather, arguments:{xquery:"./weather"} }]  
  }  
}
```

When using longer queries with **drain**, it is often useful to place the query in a file, and use **cat** in the command line. We do this in the following example.

## Example 2.11. Using the XML Exchange

This example uses an x-binding that contains queries, which filter based on the content of XML messages. Here is an XQuery that we will use in this example:

```
let $w := ./weather
return $w/station = 'Raleigh-Durham International Airport (KRDU)'
  and $w/temperature_f > 50
  and $w/temperature_f - $w/dewpoint > 5
  and $w/wind_speed_mph > 7
  and $w/wind_speed_mph < 20
```

We can specify this query in an x-binding to listen to messages that meet the criteria specified by the query:

*First Window:*

```
$ ./drain -f "xml; {link:{x-bindings:[{key:'weather',
arguments:{xquery:\"$(cat rdu.xquery )\"}}]}}"
```

In another window, let's create an XML message that meets the criteria in the query, and place it in the file `rdu.xml`:

```
<weather>
  <station>Raleigh-Durham International Airport (KRDU)</station>
  <wind_speed_mph>16</wind_speed_mph>
  <temperature_f>70</temperature_f>
  <dewpoint>35</dewpoint>
</weather>
```

Now let's use **spout** to send this message to the XML exchange:

*Second Window:*

```
spout --content "$(cat rdu.xml)" xml/weather
```

Returning to the first window, we see that the message has been received:

```
$ ./drain -f "xml; {link:{x-bindings:[{exchange:'xml', key:'weather', arguments:{x
Message(properties={qpid.subject:weather, spout-id:31c431de-593f-4bec-a3dd-29717bd
content='<weather>
  <station>Raleigh-Durham International Airport (KRDU)</station>
  <wind_speed_mph>16</wind_speed_mph>
  <temperature_f>40</temperature_f>
  <dewpoint>35</dewpoint>
</weather>' )
```

## 2.4.3.5. Address String Options - Reference

**Table 2.1. Address String Options**

option	value	semantics
assert	one of: always, never, sender or receiver	Asserts that the properties specified in the node option match whatever the address resolves to. If they do not, resolution fails and an exception is raised.
create	one of: always, never, sender or receiver	Creates the node to which an address refers if it does not exist. No error is raised if the node does exist. The details of the node may be specified in the node option.
delete	one of: always, never, sender or receiver	Delete the node when the sender or receiver is closed.
node	A nested map containing the entries shown in Table 2.2, “Node Properties”.	Specifies properties of the node to which the address refers. These are used in conjunction with the assert or create options.
link	A nested map containing the entries shown in Table 2.3, “Link Properties”.	Used to control the establishment of a conceptual link from the client application to or from the target/source address.
mode	one of: browse, consume	This option is only of relevance for source addresses that resolve to a queue. If browse is specified the messages delivered to the receiver are left on the queue rather than being removed. If consume is specified the normal behaviour applies; messages are removed from the queue once the client acknowledges their receipt.

**Table 2.2. Node Properties**

property	value	semantics
type	topic, queue	Indicates the type of the node.
durable	True, False	Indicates whether the node survives a loss of volatile storage e.g. if the broker is restarted.
x-declare	A nested map whose values correspond to the valid fields on an AMQP 0-10 queue-declare or exchange-declare command.	These values are used to fine tune the creation or assertion process. Note however that they are protocol specific.
x-bindings	A nested list in which each binding is represented by a map. The entries of the map for a binding contain the	In conjunction with the create option, each of these bindings is established as the address is resolved. In conjunction

property	value	semantics
	<p>fields that describe an AMQP 0-10 binding. Here is the format for x-bindings:</p> <pre>[   {     exchange: &lt;exchange&gt;,     queue: &lt;queue&gt;,     key: &lt;key&gt;,     arguments: {       &lt;key_1&gt;: &lt;value_1&gt;,       ...,       &lt;key_n&gt;: &lt;value_n&gt; }   },   ... ]</pre>	with the assert option, the existence of each of these bindings is verified during resolution. Again, these are protocol specific.

**Table 2.3. Link Properties**

option	value	semantics
reliability	one of: unreliable, at-least-once, at-most-once, exactly-once	Reliability indicates the level of reliability that the sender or receiver. <code>unreliable</code> and <code>at-most-once</code> are currently treated as synonyms, and allow messages to be lost if a broker crashes or the connection to a broker is lost. <code>at-least-once</code> guarantees that a message is not lost, but duplicates may be received. <code>exactly-once</code> guarantees that a message is not lost, and is delivered precisely once. Currently only <code>unreliable</code> and <code>at-least-once</code> are supported. <sup>a</sup>
durable	True, False	Indicates whether the link survives a loss of volatile storage e.g. if the broker is restarted.
x-declare	A nested map whose values correspond to the valid fields of an AMQP 0-10 queue-declare command.	These values can be used to customise the subscription queue in the case of receiving from an exchange. Note however that they are protocol specific.
x-subscribe	A nested map whose values correspond to the valid fields of an AMQP 0-10 message-subscribe command.	These values can be used to customise the subscription.
x-bindings	A nested list each of whose entries is a map that may contain fields (queue, exchange, key and arguments) describing an AMQP 0-10 binding.	These bindings are established during resolution independent of the create option. They are considered logically

option	value	semantics
		part of the linking process rather than of node creation.

<sup>3</sup>If at-most-once is requested, unreliable will be used and for durable messages on durable queues there is the possibility that messages will be redelivered; if exactly-once is requested, at-most-once will be used and the application needs to be able to deal with duplicates.

## 2.4.4. Address String Grammar

This section provides a formal grammar for address strings.

**Tokens.** The following regular expressions define the tokens used to parse address strings:

```

LBRACE:  \{
RBRACE:  \}
LBRACK:  \[
RBRACK:  \]
COLON:   :
SEMI:    ;
SLASH:   /
COMMA:   ,
NUMBER:  [+]?[0-9]*\.[0-9]+
ID:      [a-zA-Z_](?:[a-zA-Z0-9_-]*[a-zA-Z0-9_])?
STRING:  "(?:[^\\""]|\\\\".)*"|\''(?:[^\\"']|\\\\".)*\'
ESC:     \\[^\ux]|\\x[0-9a-fA-F][0-9a-fA-F]|\\u[0-9a-fA-F][0-9a-fA-F][0-9a-fA-F]
SYM:     [.\#*\%@$^!+-]
WSPACE:  [\n\r\t]+

```

**Grammar.** The formal grammar for addresses is given below:

```

address := name [ SLASH subject ] [ ";" options ]
  name  := ( part | quoted )+
subject := ( part | quoted | SLASH )*
  quoted := STRING / ESC
  part   := LBRACE / RBRACE / COLON / COMMA / NUMBER / ID / SYM
options := map
  map := "{ ( keyval ( "," keyval )* )? }"
  keyval := ID ":" value
  value  := NUMBER / STRING / ID / map / list
  list   := "[ ( value ( "," value )* )? ]"

```

**Address String Options.** The address string options map supports the following parameters:

```

<name> [ / <subject> ] ; {
  create: always | sender | receiver | never,
  delete: always | sender | receiver | never,
  assert: always | sender | receiver | never,
  mode: browse | consume,
  node: {
    type: queue | topic,
    durable: True | False,

```



```
x-declare: { ... <declare-overrides> ... },
x-bindings: [<binding_1>, ... <binding_n>]
},
link: {
  name: <link-name>,
  durable: True | False,
  reliability: unreliable | at-most-once | at-least-once | exactly-once,
  x-declare: { ... <declare-overrides> ... },
  x-bindings: [<binding_1>, ... <binding_n>],
  x-subscribe: { ... <subscribe-overrides> ... }
}
```

## Create, Delete, and Assert Policies

The create, delete, and assert policies specify who should perform the associated action:

- *always*: the action is performed by any messaging client
- *sender*: the action is only performed by a sender
- *receiver*: the action is only performed by a receiver
- *never*: the action is never performed (this is the default)

## Node-Type

The node-type is one of:

- *topic*: in the AMQP 0-10 mapping, a topic node defaults to the topic exchange, x-declare may be used to specify other exchange types
- *queue*: this is the default node-type

# 2.5. Sender Capacity and Replay

The send method of a sender has an optional second parameter that controls whether the send call is synchronous or not. A synchronous send call will block until the broker has confirmed receipt of the message. An asynchronous send call will return before the broker confirms receipt of the message, allowing for example further send calls to be made without waiting for a roundtrip to the broker for each message. This is desirable where increased throughput is important.

The sender maintains a list of sent messages whose receipt has yet to be confirmed by the broker. The maximum number of such messages that it will hold is defined by the capacity of the sender, which can be set by the application. If an application tries to send with a sender whose capacity is already fully used up, the send call will block waiting for capacity regardless of the value of the sync flag.

The sender can be queried for the available space (i.e. the unused capacity), and for the current count of unsettled messages (i.e. those held in the replay list pending confirmation by the server). When the unsettled count is zero, all messages on that sender have been successfully sent.

If the connection fails and is transparently reconnected (see Section 2.10, “Connection Options” for details on how to control this feature), the unsettled messages for each sender over that connection will be re-

transmitted. This provides a transparent level of reliability. This feature can be controlled through the link's reliability as defined in the address (see Table 2.3, “Link Properties”). At present only at-least-once guarantees are offered.

## 2.6. Receiver Capacity (Prefetch)

By default, a receiver requests the next message from the server in response to each fetch call, resulting in messages being sent to the receiver one at a time. As in the case of sending, it is often desirable to avoid this roundtrip for each message. This can be achieved by allowing the receiver to *prefetch* messages in anticipation of fetch calls being made. The receiver needs to be able to store these prefetched messages, the number it can hold is controlled by the receivers capacity.

## 2.7. Acknowledging Received Messages

Applications that receive messages should acknowledge their receipt by calling the session's acknowledge method. As in the case of sending messages, acknowledged transfer of messages to receivers provides at-least-once reliability, which means that the loss of the connection or a client crash does not result in lost messages; durable messages are not lost even if the broker is restarted. Some cases may not require this however and the reliability can be controlled through a link property in the address options (see Table 2.3, “Link Properties”).

The acknowledge call acknowledges all messages received on the session (i.e. all message that have been returned from a fetch call on a receiver created on that session).

The acknowledge call also support an optional parameter controlling whether the call is synchronous or not. A synchronous acknowledge will block until the server has confirmed that it has received the acknowledgement. In the asynchronous case, when the call returns there is not yet any guarantee that the server has received and processed the acknowledgement. The session may be queried for the number of unsettled acknowledgements; when that count is zero all acknowledgements made for received messages have been successful.

## 2.8. Receiving Messages from Multiple Sources

A receiver can only read from one source, but many programs need to be able to read messages from many sources. In the Qpid Messaging API, a program can ask a session for the “next receiver”; that is, the receiver that is responsible for the next available message. The following examples show how this is done in C++, Python, and .NET C#.

Note that to use this pattern you must enable prefetching for each receiver of interest so that the broker will send messages before a fetch call is made. See Section 2.6, “Receiver Capacity (Prefetch)” for more on this.

### Example 2.12. Receiving Messages from Multiple Sources

C++:

```
Receiver receiver1 = session.createReceiver(address1);
receiver1.setCapacity(10);
Receiver receiver2 = session.createReceiver(address2);
receiver2.setCapacity(10);

Message message = session.nextReceiver().fetch();
std::cout << message.getContent() << std::endl;
session.acknowledge(); // acknowledge message receipt
```

Python:

```
receiver1 = session.receiver(address1)
receiver1.capacity = 10
receiver2 = session.receiver(address)
receiver2.capacity = 10
message = session.next_receiver().fetch()
print message.content
session.acknowledge()
```

.NET C#:

```
Receiver receiver1 = session.CreateReceiver(address1);
receiver1.Capacity = 10;
Receiver receiver2 = session.CreateReceiver(address2);
receiver2.Capacity = 10;

Message message = new Message();
message = session.NextReceiver().Fetch();
Console.WriteLine("{0}", message.GetContent());
session.Acknowledge();
```

## 2.9. Transactions

Sometimes it is useful to be able to group messages transfers - sent and/or received - on a session into atomic grouping. This can be done by creating the session as transactional. On a transactional session sent messages only become available at the target address on commit. Likewise any received and acknowledged messages are only discarded at their source on commit <sup>8</sup>.

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<sup>8</sup>Note that this currently is only true for messages received using a reliable mode e.g. at-least-once. Messages sent by a broker to a receiver in unreliable receiver will be discarded immediately regardless of transactionality.

### Example 2.13. Transactions

C++:

```
Connection connection(broker);
Session session = connection.createTransactionalSession();
...
if (smellsOk())
    session.commit();
else
    session.rollback();
```

.NET C#:

```
Connection connection = new Connection(broker);
Session session = connection.CreateTransactionalSession();
...
if (smellsOk())
    session.Commit();
else
    session.Rollback();
```

## 2.10. Connection Options

Aspects of the connections behaviour can be controlled through specifying connection options. For example, connections can be configured to automatically reconnect if the connection to a broker is lost.

**Example 2.14. Specifying Connection Options in C++, Python, and .NET**

In C++, these options can be set using `Connection::setOption()` or by passing in a set of options to the constructor. The options can be passed in as a map or in string form:

```
Connection connection("localhost:5672", "{reconnect: true}");
try {
    connection.open();
    !!! SNIP !!!
```

or

```
Connection connection("localhost:5672");
connection.setOption("reconnect", true);
try {
    connection.open();
    !!! SNIP !!!
```

In Python, these options can be set as attributes of the connection or using named arguments in the `Connection` constructor:

```
connection = Connection("localhost:5672", reconnect=True)
try:
    connection.open()
    !!! SNIP !!!
```

or

```
connection = Connection("localhost:5672")
connection.reconnect = True
try:
    connection.open()
    !!! SNIP !!!
```

In .NET, these options can be set using `Connection.SetOption()` or by passing in a set of options to the constructor. The options can be passed in as a map or in string form:

```
Connection connection= new Connection("localhost:5672", "{reconnect: true}");
try {
    connection.Open();
    !!! SNIP !!!
```

or

```
Connection connection = new Connection("localhost:5672");
connection.SetOption("reconnect", true);
try {
    connection.Open();
    !!! SNIP !!!
```

See the reference documentation for details in each language.

The following table lists the supported connection options.

**Table 2.4. Connection Options**

option name	value type	semantics
username	string	The username to use when authenticating to the broker.
password	string	The password to use when authenticating to the broker.
sasl_mechanisms	string	The specific SASL mechanisms to use with the python client when authenticating to the broker. The value is a space separated list.
reconnect	boolean	Transparently reconnect if the connection is lost.
reconnect_timeout	integer	Total number of seconds to continue reconnection attempts before giving up and raising an exception.
reconnect_limit	integer	Maximum number of reconnection attempts before giving up and raising an exception.
reconnect_interval_min	integer representing time in seconds	Minimum number of seconds between reconnection attempts. The first reconnection attempt is made immediately; if that fails, the first reconnection delay is set to the value of <code>reconnect_interval_min</code> ; if that attempt fails, the reconnect interval increases exponentially until a reconnection attempt succeeds or <code>reconnect_interval_max</code> is reached.
reconnect_interval_max	integer representing time in seconds	Maximum reconnect interval.
reconnect_interval	integer representing time in seconds	Sets both <code>reconnection_interval_min</code> and <code>reconnection_interval_max</code> to the same value.
heartbeat	integer representing time in seconds	Requests that heartbeats be sent every N seconds. If two successive heartbeats are missed the connection is considered to be lost.
protocol	string	Sets the underlying protocol used. The default option is 'tcp'. To enable ssl, set to 'ssl'. The C++ client additionally supports 'rdma'.
tcp-nodelay	boolean	Set tcp no-delay, i.e. disable Nagle algorithm. [C++ only]

## 2.11. Maps and Lists in Message Content

Many messaging applications need to exchange data across languages and platforms, using the native datatypes of each programming language.

The Qpid Messaging API supports `map` and `list` in message content.<sup>9</sup><sup>10</sup> Specific language support for `map` and `list` objects are shown in the following table.

**Table 2.5. Map and List Representation in Supported Languages**

Language	map	list
Python	<code>dict</code>	<code>list</code>
C++	<code>Variant::Map</code>	<code>Variant::List</code>
Java	<code>MapMessage</code>	
.NET	<code>Dictionary&lt;string, object&gt;</code>	<code>Collection&lt;object&gt;</code>

In all languages, messages are encoded using AMQP's portable datatypes.

### Tip

Because of the differences in type systems among languages, the simplest way to provide portable messages is to rely on maps, lists, strings, 64 bit signed integers, and doubles for messages that need to be exchanged across languages and platforms.

### 2.11.1. Qpid Maps and Lists in Python

In Python, Qpid supports the `dict` and `list` types directly in message content. The following code shows how to send these structures in a message:

#### Example 2.15. Sending Qpid Maps and Lists in Python

```
from qpid.messaging import *
# !!! SNIP !!!

content = {'Id' : 987654321, 'name' : 'Widget', 'percent' : 0.99}
content['colours'] = ['red', 'green', 'white']
content['dimensions'] = {'length' : 10.2, 'width' : 5.1, 'depth' : 2.0};
content['parts'] = [ [1,2,5], [8,2,5] ]
content['specs'] = {'colors' : content['colours'],
                   'dimensions' : content['dimensions'],
                   'parts' : content['parts'] }
message = Message(content=content)
sender.send(message)
```

The following table shows the datatypes that can be sent in a Python map message, and the corresponding datatypes that will be received by clients in Java or C++.

<sup>9</sup>Unlike JMS, there is not a specific message type for map messages.

<sup>10</sup>Note that the Qpid JMS client supports `MapMessages` whose values can be nested maps or lists. This is not standard JMS behaviour.

**Table 2.6. Python Datatypes in Maps**

Python Datatype	→ C++	→ Java
bool	bool	boolean
int	int64	long
long	int64	long
float	double	double
unicode	string	java.lang.String
uuid	qpid::types::Uuid	java.util.UUID
dict	Variant::Map	java.util.Map
list	Variant::List	java.util.List

## 2.11.2. Qpid Maps and Lists in C++

In C++, Qpid defines the `Variant::Map` and `Variant::List` types, which can be encoded into message content. The following code shows how to send these structures in a message:



**Example 2.16. Sending Qpid Maps and Lists in C++**

```
using namespace qpid::types;

// !!! SNIP !!!

Message message;
Variant::Map content;
content["id"] = 987654321;
content["name"] = "Widget";
content["percent"] = 0.99;
Variant::List colours;
colours.push_back(Variant("red"));
colours.push_back(Variant("green"));
colours.push_back(Variant("white"));
content["colours"] = colours;

Variant::Map dimensions;
dimensions["length"] = 10.2;
dimensions["width"] = 5.1;
dimensions["depth"] = 2.0;
content["dimensions"] = dimensions;

Variant::List part1;
part1.push_back(Variant(1));
part1.push_back(Variant(2));
part1.push_back(Variant(5));

Variant::List part2;
part2.push_back(Variant(8));
part2.push_back(Variant(2));
part2.push_back(Variant(5));

Variant::List parts;
parts.push_back(part1);
parts.push_back(part2);
content["parts"] = parts;

Variant::Map specs;
specs["colours"] = colours;
specs["dimensions"] = dimensions;
specs["parts"] = parts;
content["specs"] = specs;

encode(content, message);
sender.send(message, true);
```

The following table shows the datatypes that can be sent in a C++ map message, and the corresponding datatypes that will be received by clients in Java and Python.

**Table 2.7. C++ Datatypes in Maps**

C++ Datatype	→ Python	→ Java
bool	bool	boolean
uint16	int   long	short
uint32	int   long	int
uint64	int   long	long
int16	int   long	short
int32	int   long	int
int64	int   long	long
float	float	float
double	float	double
string	unicode	java.lang.String
qpId::types::Uuid	uuid	java.util.UUID
Variant::Map	dict	java.util.Map
Variant::List	list	java.util.List

### 2.11.3. Qpid Maps and Lists in .NET

The .NET binding for the Qpid Messaging API binds .NET managed data types to C++ Variant data types. The following code shows how to send Map and List structures in a message:

#### Example 2.17. Sending Qpid Maps and Lists in .NET C#

```
using System;
using Org.Apache.Qpid.Messaging;

// !!! SNIP !!!

Dictionary<string, object> content = new Dictionary<string, object>();
Dictionary<string, object> subMap = new Dictionary<string, object>();
Collection<object> colors = new Collection<object>();

// add simple types
content["id"] = 987654321;
content["name"] = "Widget";
content["percent"] = 0.99;

// add nested amqp/map
subMap["name"] = "Smith";
subMap["number"] = 354;
content["nestedMap"] = subMap;

// add an amqp/list
colors.Add("red");
colors.Add("green");
colors.Add("white");
content["colorsList"] = colors;
```

```
// add one of each supported amqp data type
bool mybool = true;
content["mybool"] = mybool;

byte mybyte = 4;
content["mybyte"] = mybyte;

UInt16 myUInt16 = 5;
content["myUInt16"] = myUInt16;

UInt32 myUInt32 = 6;
content["myUInt32"] = myUInt32;

UInt64 myUInt64 = 7;
content["myUInt64"] = myUInt64;

char mychar = 'h';
content["mychar"] = mychar;

Int16 myInt16 = 9;
content["myInt16"] = myInt16;

Int32 myInt32 = 10;
content["myInt32"] = myInt32;

Int64 myInt64 = 11;
content["myInt64"] = myInt64;

Single mySingle = (Single)12.12;
content["mySingle"] = mySingle;

Double myDouble = 13.13;
content["myDouble"] = myDouble;

Guid myGuid = new Guid("000102030405060708090a0b0c0d0e0f");
content["myGuid"] = myGuid;

Message message = new Message(content);
Send(message, true);
```

The following table shows the mapping between datatypes in .NET and C++.

**Table 2.8. Datatype Mapping between C++ and .NET binding**

C++ Datatype	→ .NET binding
void	nullptr
bool	bool
uint8	byte
uint16	UInt16
uint32	UInt32

C++ Datatype	→ .NET binding
uint64	UInt64
uint8	char
int16	Int16
int32	Int32
int64	Int64
float	Single
double	Double
string	string <sup>a</sup>
qpid::types::Uuid	Guid
Variant::Map	Dictionary<string, object> <sup>a</sup>
Variant::List	Collection<object> <sup>a</sup>

<sup>a</sup>Strings are currently interpreted only with UTF-8 encoding.

## 2.12. The Request / Response Pattern

Request / Response applications use the reply-to property, described in Table 2.9, “Mapping to AMQP 0-10 Message Properties”, to allow a server to respond to the client that sent a message. A server sets up a service queue, with a name known to clients. A client creates a private queue for the server's response, creates a message for a request, sets the request's reply-to property to the address of the client's response queue, and sends the request to the service queue. The server sends the response to the address specified in the request's reply-to property.

## Example 2.18. Request / Response Applications in C++

This example shows the C++ code for a client and server that use the request / response pattern.

The server creates a service queue and waits for a message to arrive. If it receives a message, it sends a message back to the sender.

```
Receiver receiver = session.createReceiver("service_queue; {create: always}");

Message request = receiver.fetch();
const Address& address = request.getReplyTo(); // Get "reply-to" from request
if (address) {
    Sender sender = session.createSender(address); // ... send response to "reply-to"
    Message response("pong!");
    sender.send(response);
    session.acknowledge();
}
```

The client creates a sender for the service queue, and also creates a response queue that is deleted when the client closes the receiver for the response queue. In the C++ client, if the address starts with the character #, it is given a unique name.

```
Sender sender = session.createSender("service_queue");

Address responseQueue("#response-queue; {create:always, delete:always}");
Receiver receiver = session.createReceiver(responseQueue);

Message request;
request.setReplyTo(responseQueue);
request.setContent("ping");
sender.send(request);
Message response = receiver.fetch();
std::cout << request.getContent() << " -> " << response.getContent() << std::endl;
```

The client sends the string ping to the server. The server sends the response pong back to the same client, using the replyTo property.

## 2.13. Performance Tips

- Consider prefetching messages for receivers (see Section 2.6, “Receiver Capacity (Prefetch)”). This helps eliminate roundtrips and increases throughput. Prefetch is disabled by default, and enabling it is the most effective means of improving throughput of received messages.
- Send messages asynchronously. Again, this helps eliminate roundtrips and increases throughput. The C++ and .NET clients send asynchronously by default, however the python client defaults to synchronous sends.
- Acknowledge messages in batches (see Section 2.7, “Acknowledging Received Messages”). Rather than acknowledging each message individually, consider issuing acknowledgements after n messages and/or after a particular duration has elapsed.

- Tune the sender capacity (see Section 2.5, “Sender Capacity and Replay”). If the capacity is too low the sender may block waiting for the broker to confirm receipt of messages, before it can free up more capacity.
- If you are setting a reply-to address on messages being sent by the c++ client, make sure the address type is set to either queue or topic as appropriate. This avoids the client having to determine which type of node is being referred to, which is required when handling reply-to in AMQP 0-10.
- For latency sensitive applications, setting tcp-nodelay on qpid and on client connections can help reduce the latency.

## 2.14. Cluster Failover

The messaging broker can be run in clustering mode, which provides high reliability through replicating state between brokers in the cluster. If one broker in a cluster fails, clients can choose another broker in the cluster and continue their work. Each broker in the cluster also advertises the addresses of all known brokers<sup>11</sup>. A client can use this information to dynamically keep the list of reconnection urls up to date.

In C++, the `FailoverUpdates` class provides this functionality:

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<sup>11</sup>This is done via the `amq.failover` exchange in AMQP 0-10

## Example 2.19. Tracking cluster membership

In C++:

```
#include <qpid/messaging/FailoverUpdates.h>
...
Connection connection("localhost:5672");
connection.setOption("reconnect", true);
try {
    connection.open();
    std::auto_ptr<FailoverUpdates> updates(new FailoverUpdates(connection));
```

In python:

```
import qpid.messaging.util
...
connection = Connection("localhost:5672")
connection.reconnect = True
try:
    connection.open()
    auto_fetch_reconnect_urls(connection)
```

In .NET C#:

```
using Org.Apache.Qpid.Messaging;
...
connection = new Connection("localhost:5672");
connection.SetOption("reconnect", true);
try {
    connection.Open();
    FailoverUpdates failover = new FailoverUpdates(connection);
```

## 2.15. Logging

To simplify debugging, Qpid provides a logging facility that prints out messaging events.

### 2.15.1. Logging in C++

The Qpid broker and C++ clients can both use environment variables to enable logging. Linux and Windows systems use the same named environment variables and values.

Use QPID\_LOG\_ENABLE to set the level of logging you are interested in (trace, debug, info, notice, warning, error, or critical):

```
export QPID_LOG_ENABLE="warning+"
```

The Qpid broker and C++ clients use `QPID_LOG_OUTPUT` to determine where logging output should be sent. This is either a file name or the special values `stderr`, `stdout`, or `syslog`:

```
export QPID_LOG_TO_FILE="/tmp/myclient.out"
```

From a Windows command prompt, use the following command format to set the environment variables:

```
set QPID_LOG_ENABLE=warning+
set QPID_LOG_TO_FILE=D:\tmp\myclient.out
```

## 2.15.2. Logging in Python

The Python client library supports logging using the standard Python logging module. The easiest way to do logging is to use the `basicConfig()`, which reports all warnings and errors:

```
from logging import basicConfig
basicConfig()
```

Qpid also provides a convenience method that makes it easy to specify the level of logging desired. For instance, the following code enables logging at the **DEBUG** level:

```
from qpid.log import enable, DEBUG
enable("qpid.messaging.io", DEBUG)
```

For more information on Python logging, see <http://docs.python.org/lib/node425.html>. For more information on Qpid logging, use `$ pydoc qpid.log`.

## 2.16. The AMQP 0-10 mapping

This section describes the AMQP 0-10 mapping for the Qpid Messaging API.

The interaction with the broker triggered by creating a sender or receiver depends on what the specified address resolves to. Where the node type is not specified in the address, the client queries the broker to determine whether it refers to a queue or an exchange.

When sending to a queue, the queue's name is set as the routing key and the message is transferred to the default (or nameless) exchange. When sending to an exchange, the message is transferred to that exchange and the routing key is set to the message subject if one is specified. A default subject may be specified in the target address. The subject may also be set on each message individually to override the default if required. In each case any specified subject is also added as a `qpid.subject` entry in the application-headers field of the message-properties.

When receiving from a queue, any subject in the source address is currently ignored. The client sends a message-subscribe request for the queue in question. The accept-mode is determined by the reliability option in the link properties; for unreliable links the accept-mode is none, for reliable links it is explicit. The default for a queue is reliable. The acquire-mode is determined by the value of the mode option. If the mode is set to browse the acquire mode is not-acquired, otherwise it is set to pre-acquired. The exclusive and arguments fields in the message-subscribe command can be controlled using the x-subscribe map.

When receiving from an exchange, the client creates a subscription queue and binds that to the exchange. The subscription queue's arguments can be specified using the x-declare map within the link properties. The reliability option determines most of the other parameters. If the reliability is set to unreliable then an auto-deleted, exclusive queue is used meaning that if the client or connection fails messages may be



lost. For exactly-once the queue is not set to be auto-deleted. The durability of the subscription queue is determined by the durable option in the link properties. The binding process depends on the type of the exchange the source address resolves to.

- For a topic exchange, if no subject is specified and no x-bindings are defined for the link, the subscription queue is bound using a wildcard matching any routing key (thus satisfying the expectation that any message sent to that address will be received from it). If a subject is specified in the source address however, it is used for the binding key (this means that the subject in the source address may be a binding pattern including wildcards).
- For a fanout exchange the binding key is irrelevant to matching. A receiver created from a source address that resolves to a fanout exchange receives all messages sent to that exchange regardless of any subject the source address may contain. An x-bindings element in the link properties should be used if there is any need to set the arguments to the bind.
- For a direct exchange, the subject is used as the binding key. If no subject is specified an empty string is used as the binding key.
- For a headers exchange, if no subject is specified the binding arguments simply contain an x-match entry and no other entries, causing all messages to match. If a subject is specified then the binding arguments contain an x-match entry set to all and an entry for qpid.subject whose value is the subject in the source address (this means the subject in the source address must match the message subject exactly). For more control the x-bindings element in the link properties must be used.
- For the XML exchange,<sup>12</sup> if a subject is specified it is used as the binding key and an XQuery is defined that matches any message with that value for qpid.subject. Again this means that only messages whose subject exactly match that specified in the source address are received. If no subject is specified then the empty string is used as the binding key with an xquery that will match any message (this means that only messages with an empty string as the routing key will be received). For more control the x-bindings element in the link properties must be used. A source address that resolves to the XML exchange must contain either a subject or an x-bindings element in the link properties as there is no way at present to receive any message regardless of routing key.

If an x-bindings list is present in the link options a binding is created for each element within that list. Each element is a nested map that may contain values named queue, exchange, key or arguments. If the queue value is absent the queue name the address resolves to is implied. If the exchange value is absent the exchange name the address resolves to is implied.

The following table shows how Qpid Messaging API message properties are mapped to AMQP 0-10 message properties and delivery properties. In this table `msg` refers to the Message class defined in the Qpid Messaging API, `mp` refers to an AMQP 0-10 message-properties struct, and `dp` refers to an AMQP 0-10 delivery-properties struct.

**Table 2.9. Mapping to AMQP 0-10 Message Properties**

Python API	C++ API <sup>a</sup>	AMQP 0-10 Property <sup>b</sup>
<code>msg.id</code>	<code>msg.{get,set}MessageId()</code>	<code>mp.message_id</code>
<code>msg.subject</code>	<code>msg.{get,set}Subject()</code>	<code>mp.application_headers["qpid.subject"]</code>
<code>msg.user_id</code>	<code>msg.{get,set}UserId()</code>	<code>mp.user_id</code>
<code>msg.reply_to</code>	<code>msg.{get,set}ReplyTo()</code>	<code>mp.reply_to</code> <sup>c</sup>
<code>msg.correlation_id</code>	<code>msg.{get,set}CorrelationId()</code>	<code>mp.correlation_id</code>

<sup>12</sup>Note that the XML exchange is not a standard AMQP exchange type. It is a Qpid extension and is currently only supported by the C++ broker.

Python API	C++ API <sup>a</sup>	AMQP 0-10 Property <sup>b</sup>
msg.durable	msg.{get,set}Durable()	dp.delivery_mode delivery_mode.persistent <sup>d</sup> ==
msg.priority	msg.{get,set}Priority()	dp.priority
msg.ttl	msg.{get,set}Ttl()	dp.ttl
msg.redelivered	msg.{get,set}Redelivered()	dp.redelivered
msg.properties	msg.{get,set}Properties()	mp.application_headers
msg.content_type	msg.{get,set}ContentType()	mp.content_type

<sup>a</sup> The .NET Binding for C++ Messaging provides all the message and delivery properties described in the C++ API. See Table 5.13, “.NET Binding for the C++ Messaging API Class: Message”.

<sup>b</sup> In these entries, mp refers to an AMQP message property, and dp refers to an AMQP delivery property.

<sup>c</sup> The reply\_to is converted from the protocol representation into an address.

<sup>d</sup> Note that msg.durable is a boolean, not an enum.

The 0-10 mapping also recognises certain special property keys. If the properties contain entries for `x-amqp-0-10.app-id` or `x-amqp-0-10.content-encoding`, the values will be used to set `message-properties.app-id` and `message-properties.content-encoding` on the resulting 0-10 message transfer. Likewise if an incoming transfer has those properties set, they will be exposed in the same manner. In addition the routing key on incoming transfers will be exposed directly via the custom property with key `x-amqp-0-10.routing-key`.

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# Chapter 3. Using the Qpid JMS client

## 3.1. A Simple Messaging Program in Java JMS

The following program shows how to send and receive a message using the Qpid JMS client. JMS programs typically use JNDI to obtain connection factory and destination objects which the application needs. In this way the configuration is kept separate from the application code itself.

In this example, we create a JNDI context using a properties file, use the context to lookup a connection factory, create and start a connection, create a session, and lookup a destination from the JNDI context. Then we create a producer and a consumer, send a message with the producer and receive it with the consumer. This code should be straightforward for anyone familiar with Java JMS.

**Example 3.1. "Hello world!" in Java**

```
package org.apache.qpid.example.jmsexample.hello;

import javax.jms.*;
import javax.naming.Context;
import javax.naming.InitialContext;
import java.util.Properties;

public class Hello {

    public Hello() {
    }

    public static void main(String[] args) {
        Hello producer = new Hello();
        producer.runTest();
    }

    private void runTest() {
        try {
            Properties properties = new Properties();
            properties.load(this.getClass().getResourceAsStream("hello.properties"));
            Context context = new InitialContext(properties);

            ConnectionFactory connectionFactory
                = (ConnectionFactory) context.lookup("qpidConnectionFactory");
            Connection connection = connectionFactory.createConnection();
            connection.start();

            Session session=connection.createSession(false,Session.AUTO_ACKNOWLEDGE);
            Destination destination = (Destination) context.lookup("topicExchange");

            MessageProducer messageProducer = session.createProducer(destination);
            MessageConsumer messageConsumer = session.createConsumer(destination);

            TextMessage message = session.createTextMessage("Hello world!");
            messageProducer.send(message);

            message = (TextMessage)messageConsumer.receive();
            System.out.println(message.getText());

            connection.close();
            context.close();
        }
        catch (Exception exp) {
            exp.printStackTrace();
        }
    }
}
```

- ❶ Loads the JNDI properties file, which specifies connection properties, queues, topics, and addressing options. See Section 3.2, “Apache Qpid JNDI Properties for AMQP Messaging” for details.
- ❷ Creates the JNDI initial context.
- ❸ Creates a JMS connection factory for Qpid.
- ❹ Creates a JMS connection.
- ❺ Activates the connection.
- ❻ Creates a session. This session is not transactional (`transactions='false'`), and messages are automatically acknowledged.
- ❼ Creates a destination for the topic exchange, so senders and receivers can use it.
- ❽ Creates a producer that sends messages to the topic exchange.
- ❾ Creates a consumer that reads messages from the topic exchange.
- ❿ Reads the next available message.
- ⓫ Closes the connection, all sessions managed by the connection, and all senders and receivers managed by each session.
- ⓫ Closes the JNDI context.

The contents of the `hello.properties` file are shown below.

### Example 3.2. JNDI Properties File for "Hello world!" example

```
java.naming.factory.initial
= org.apache.qpid.jndi.PropertiesFileInitialContextFactory

# connectionfactory.[jndiname] = [ConnectionURL]
connectionfactory.qpidConnectionFactory
= amqp://guest:guest@clientid/test?brokerlist='tcp://localhost:5672' ❶
# destination.[jndiname] = [address_string]
destination.topicExchange = amq.topic ❷
```

- ❶ Defines a connection factory from which connections can be created. The syntax of a `ConnectionURL` is given in Section 3.2, “Apache Qpid JNDI Properties for AMQP Messaging”.
- ❷ Defines a destination for which `MessageProducers` and/or `MessageConsumers` can be created to send and receive messages. The value for the destination in the properties file is an address string as described in Section 2.4, “Addresses”. In the JMS implementation `MessageProducers` are analogous to senders in the Qpid Message API, and `MessageConsumers` are analogous to receivers.

## 3.2. Apache Qpid JNDI Properties for AMQP Messaging

Apache Qpid defines JNDI properties that can be used to specify JMS Connections and Destinations. Here is a typical JNDI properties file:

### Example 3.3. JNDI Properties File

```
java.naming.factory.initial
= org.apache.qpid.jndi.PropertiesFileInitialContextFactory

# connectionfactory.[jndiname] = [ConnectionURL]
connectionfactory.qpidConnectionFactory
= amqp://guest:guest@clientid/test?brokerlist='tcp://localhost:5672'
# destination.[jndiname] = [address_string]
destination.topicExchange = amq.topic
```

The following sections describe the JNDI properties that Qpid uses.

## 3.2.1. JNDI Properties for Apache Qpid

Apache Qpid supports the properties shown in the following table:

**Table 3.1. JNDI Properties supported by Apache Qpid**

Property	Purpose
connectionfactory.<jndiname>	The Connection URL that the connection factory uses to perform connections.
queue.<jndiname>	A JMS queue, which is implemented as an amq.direct exchange in Apache Qpid.
topic.<jndiname>	A JMS topic, which is implemented as an amq.topic exchange in Apache Qpid.
destination.<jndiname>	Can be used for defining all amq destinations, queues, topics and header matching, using an address string. <sup>a</sup>

<sup>a</sup>Binding URLs, which were used in earlier versions of the Qpid Java JMS client, can still be used instead of address strings.

## 3.2.2. Connection URLs

In JNDI properties, a Connection URL specifies properties for a connection. The format for a Connection URL is:

```
amqp://[<user>:<pass>@][<clientid>]<virtualhost>[?<option>='<value>' [&<option>='<v
```

For instance, the following Connection URL specifies a user name, a password, a client ID, a virtual host ("test"), a broker list with a single broker, and a TCP host with the host name "localhost" using port 5672:

```
amqp://username:password@clientid/test?brokerlist='tcp://localhost:5672'
```

Apache Qpid supports the following properties in Connection URLs:

**Table 3.2. Connection URL Properties**

Option	Type	Description
brokerlist	see below	The broker to use for this connection. In the current release, precisely one broker must be specified.

Option	Type	Description
maxprefetch	--	The maximum number of pre-fetched messages per destination.
sync_publish	{'persistent'   'all'}	A sync command is sent after every persistent message to guarantee that it has been received; if the value is 'persistent', this is done only for persistent messages.
sync_ack	Boolean	A sync command is sent after every acknowledgement to guarantee that it has been received.
use_legacy_map_msg_format	Boolean	If you are using JMS Map messages and deploying a new client with any JMS client older than 0.8 release, you must set this to true to ensure the older clients can understand the map message encoding.
failover	{'roundrobin'   'failover_exchange'}	If roundrobin is selected it will try each broker given in the broker list. If failover_exchange is selected it connects to the initial broker given in the broker URL and will receive membership updates via the failover exchange.

Broker lists are specified using a URL in this format:

```
brokerlist=<transport>://<host>[:<port>](?<param>=<value>)?(&<param>=<value>)*
```

For instance, this is a typical broker list:

```
brokerlist='tcp://localhost:5672'
```

A broker list can contain more than one broker address; if so, the connection is made to the first broker in the list that is available. In general, it is better to use the failover exchange when using multiple brokers, since it allows applications to fail over if a broker goes down.

### Example 3.4. Broker Lists

A broker list can specify properties to be used when connecting to the broker, such as security options. This broker list specifies options for a Kerberos connection using GSSAPI:

```
amqp://guest:guest@test/test?sync_ack='true'
    &brokerlist='tcp://ip1:5672?sasl_mechs='GSSAPI'
```

This broker list specifies SSL options:

```
amqp://guest:guest@test/test?sync_ack='true'
    &brokerlist='tcp://ip1:5672?ssl='true'&ssl_cert_alias='cert1'
```

The following broker list options are supported.

**Table 3.3. Broker List Options**

Option	Type	Description
heartbeat	integer	frequency of heartbeat messages (in seconds)
sasl_mechs	--	For secure applications, we suggest CRAM-MD5, DIGEST-MD5, or GSSAPI. The ANONYMOUS method is not secure. The PLAIN method is secure only when used together with SSL. For Kerberos, sasl_mechs must be set to GSSAPI, sasl_protocol must be set to the principal for the qpidd broker, e.g. qpidd/, and sasl_server must be set to the host for the SASL server, e.g. sasl.com. SASL External is supported using SSL certification, e.g. ssl='true'&sasl_mechs='EXTERNAL'
sasl_encryption	Boolean	If sasl_encryption='true', the JMS client attempts to negotiate a security layer with the broker using GSSAPI to encrypt the connection. Note that for this to happen, GSSAPI must be selected as the sasl_mech.
ssl	Boolean	If ssl='true', the JMS client will encrypt the connection using SSL.
tcp_nodelay	Boolean	If tcp_nodelay='true', TCP packet batching is disabled.
sasl_protocol	--	Used only for Kerberos. sasl_protocol must be set to the principal for the qpidd broker, e.g. qpidd/
sasl_server	--	For Kerberos, sasl_mechs must be set to GSSAPI, sasl_server must be set to the host for the SASL server, e.g. sasl.com.
trust_store	--	path to Kerberos trust store
trust_store_password		Kerberos trust store password
key_store		path to Kerberos key store
key_store_password	--	Kerberos key store password
ssl_verify_hostname	Boolean	When using SSL you can enable hostname verification by using



Option	Type	Description
		"ssl_verify_hostname=true" in the broker URL.
ssl_cert_alias		If multiple certificates are present in the keystore, the alias will be used to extract the correct certificate.

### 3.3. Java JMS Message Properties

The following table shows how Qpid Messaging API message properties are mapped to AMQP 0-10 message properties and delivery properties. In this table `msg` refers to the `Message` class defined in the Qpid Messaging API, `mp` refers to an AMQP 0-10 `message-properties` struct, and `dp` refers to an AMQP 0-10 `delivery-properties` struct.

**Table 3.4. Java JMS Mapping to AMQP 0-10 Message Properties**

Java JMS Message Property	AMQP 0-10 Property <sup>a</sup>
JMSMessageID	mp.message_id
qpid.subject <sup>b</sup>	mp.application_headers["qpid.subject"]
JMSXUserID	mp.user_id
JMSReplyTo	mp.reply_to <sup>c</sup>
JMSCorrelationID	mp.correlation_id
JMSDeliveryMode	dp.delivery_mode
JMSPriority	dp.priority
JMSExpiration	dp.ttl <sup>d</sup>
JMSRedelivered	dp.redelivered
JMS Properties	mp.application_headers
JMSType	mp.content_type

<sup>a</sup>In these entries, `mp` refers to an AMQP message property, and `dp` refers to an AMQP delivery property.

<sup>b</sup>This is a custom JMS property, set automatically by the Java JMS client implementation.

<sup>c</sup>The `reply_to` is converted from the protocol representation into an address.

<sup>d</sup>`JMSExpiration` = `dp.ttl` + `currentTime`

### 3.4. JMS MapMessage Types

Qpid supports the Java JMS `MapMessage` interface, which provides support for maps in messages. The following code shows how to send a `MapMessage` in Java JMS.

**Example 3.5. Sending a Java JMS MapMessage**

```
import java.util.ArrayList;
import java.util.HashMap;
import java.util.List;
import java.util.Map;

import javax.jms.Connection;
import javax.jms.Destination;
import javax.jms.MapMessage;
import javax.jms.MessageProducer;
import javax.jms.Session;

import org.apache.qpid.client.AMQAnyDestination;
import org.apache.qpid.client.AMQConnection;

import edu.emory.mathcs.backport.java.util.Arrays;

// !!! SNIP !!!

MessageProducer producer = session.createProducer(queue);

MapMessage m = session.createMapMessage();
m.setIntProperty("Id", 987654321);
m.setStringProperty("name", "Widget");
m.setDoubleProperty("price", 0.99);

List<String> colors = new ArrayList<String>();
colors.add("red");
colors.add("green");
colors.add("white");
m.setObject("colours", colors);

Map<String,Double> dimensions = new HashMap<String,Double>();
dimensions.put("length",10.2);
dimensions.put("width",5.1);
dimensions.put("depth",2.0);
m.setObject("dimensions",dimensions);

List<List<Integer>> parts = new ArrayList<List<Integer>>();
parts.add(Arrays.asList(new Integer[] {1,2,5}));
parts.add(Arrays.asList(new Integer[] {8,2,5}));
m.setObject("parts", parts);

Map<String,Object> specs = new HashMap<String,Object>();
specs.put("colours", colors);
specs.put("dimensions", dimensions);
specs.put("parts", parts);
m.setObject("specs", specs);

producer.send(m);
```

The following table shows the datatypes that can be sent in a `MapMessage`, and the corresponding datatypes that will be received by clients in Python or C++.

**Table 3.5. Java Datatypes in Maps**

Java Datatype	→ Python	→ C++
boolean	bool	bool
short	int   long	int16
int	int   long	int32
long	int   long	int64
float	float	float
double	float	double
java.lang.String	unicode	std::string
java.util.UUID	uuid	qpid::types::Uuid
java.util.Map <sup>a</sup>	dict	Variant::Map
java.util.List	list	Variant::List

<sup>a</sup>In Qpid, maps can nest. This goes beyond the functionality required by the JMS specification.

## 3.5. JMS Client Logging

The JMS Client logging is handled using the Simple Logging Facade for Java (SLF4J [<http://www.slf4j.org/>]). As the name implies, slf4j is a facade that delegates to other logging systems like log4j or JDK 1.4 logging. For more information on how to configure slf4j for specific logging systems, please consult the slf4j documentation.

When using the log4j binding, please set the log level for `org.apache.qpid` explicitly. Otherwise log4j will default to `DEBUG` which will degrade performance considerably due to excessive logging. The recommended logging level for production is `WARN`.

The following example shows the logging properties used to configure client logging for slf4j using the log4j binding. These properties can be placed in a `log4j.properties` file and placed in the `CLASSPATH`, or they can be set explicitly using the `-Dlog4j.configuration` property.

### Example 3.6. log4j Logging Properties

```
log4j.logger.org.apache.qpid=WARN, console
log4j.additivity.org.apache.qpid=false

log4j.appender.console=org.apache.log4j.ConsoleAppender
log4j.appender.console.Threshold=all
log4j.appender.console.layout=org.apache.log4j.PatternLayout
log4j.appender.console.layout.ConversionPattern=%t %d %p [%c{4}] %m%n
```

## 3.6. Configuring the JMS Client

The Qpid JMS Client allows several configuration options to customize its behaviour at different levels of granularity.

- JVM level using JVM arguments : Configuration that affects all connections, sessions, consumers and producers created within that JVM.

Ex. `-Dmax_prefetch=1000` property specifies the message credits to use.

- Connection level using Connection/Broker properties : Affects the respective connection and sessions, consumers and produces created by that connection.

Ex. `amqp://guest:guest@test/test?max_prefetch='1000'&brokerlist='tcp://localhost:5672'` property specifies the message credits to use. This overrides any value specified via the JVM argument `max_prefetch`.

Please refer to the Section 3.2.2, “Connection URLs” section for a complete list of all properties and how to use them.

- Destination level using Addressing options : Affects the producer(s) and consumer(s) created using the respective destination.

Ex. `my-queue; {create: always, link:{capacity: 10}}`, where `capacity` option specifies the message credits to use. This overrides any connection level configuration.

Please refer to the Section 2.4, “Addresses” section for a complete understanding of addressing and it's various options.

Some of these config options are available at all three levels (Ex. `max_prefetch`), while others are available only at JVM or connection level.

### 3.6.1. Qpid JVM Arguments

**Table 3.6. Config Options For Connection Behaviour**

Property Name	Type	Default Value	Description
<code>qpid.amqp.version</code>	string	0-10	Sets the AMQP version to be used - currently supports one of {0-8,0-9,0-91,0-10}
<code>qpid.heartbeat</code>	int	120 (secs)	The heartbeat interval in seconds. Two consecutive missed heartbeats will result in the connection timing out.  This could also be set per connection as well (see connection paramters).
<code>ignore_setclientID</code>	boolean	false	If a client ID is specified in the connection URL it's used or else an ID is generated. If an ID is specified after it's been set Qpid will throw an exception.  Setting this property to 'true' will disable that check and allow you to

Property Name	Type	Default Value	Description
			set a client ID of your choice later on.

**Table 3.7. Config Options For Session Behaviour**

Property Name	Type	Default Value	Description
qpid.session.command_limit	int	65536	Limits the # of unacked commands
qpid.session.byte_limit	int	1048576	Limits the # of unacked commands in terms of bytes
qpid.use_legacy_map_message	boolean	false	<p>If set will use the old map message encoding. By default the Map messages are encoded using the 0-10 map encoding.</p> <p>This could also be set per connection as well (see connection paramters).</p>

**Table 3.8. Config Options For Consumer Behaviour**

Property Name	Type	Default Value	Description
max_prefetch	int	500	<p>Maximum number of messages to credits.</p> <p>This could also be set per connection (see connection paramters) or per destination (see the capacity option under link properties in addressing).</p>
qpid.session.max_ack_delay	long	1000 (ms)	<p>Timer interval to flush message acks in buffer when using AUTO_ACK and DUPS_OK.</p> <p>When using the above ack modes, message acks are batched and sent if one of the following conditions are met (which ever happens first).</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• When the ack timer fires.</li> </ul>

Property Name	Type	Default Value	Description
			<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>if <code>un_acked_msg_count &gt; max_prefetch/2</code>.</li> </ul> <p>The ack timer can be disabled by setting it to 0.</p>
<code>sync_ack</code>	boolean	false	<p>If set, each message will be acknowledged synchronously. When using <code>AUTO_ACK</code> mode, you need to set this to "true", in order to get the correct behaviour as described by the JMS spec.</p> <p>This is set to false by default for performance reasons, therefore by default <code>AUTO_ACK</code> behaves similar to <code>DUPS_OK</code>.</p> <p>This could also be set per connection as well (see connection paramters).</p>

**Table 3.9. Config Options For Producer Behaviour**

Property Name	Type	Default Value	Description
<code>sync_publish</code>	string	"" (disabled)	<p>If one of {persistent all} is set then persistent messages or all messages will be sent synchronously.</p> <p>This could also be set per connection as well (see connection paramters).</p>

**Table 3.10. Config Options For Threading**

Property Name	Type	Default Value	Description
<code>qpid.thread_factory</code>	string	<code>org.apache.qpid.thread.DescriptorFactory</code>	<p>Specifies the thread factory to use.</p> <p>If using a real time JVM, you need to set the above property to <code>org.apache.qpid.thread.RealTimeThreadFactory</code>.</p>
<code>qpid.rt_thread_priority</code>	int	20	Specifies the priority (1-99) for Real time

Property Name	Type	Default Value	Description
			threads created by the real time thread factory.

**Table 3.11. Config Options For I/O**

Property Name	Type	Default Value	Description
qpid.transport	string	org.apache.qpid.transport.work.io.IOException	<p>The transport implementation to be used.</p> <p>A user could specify an alternative transport mechanism that implements the <code>org.apache.qpid.transport.net</code> interface.</p>
amqp.tcp_nodelay	boolean	false	<p>Sets the TCP_NODELAY property of the underlying socket.</p> <p>This could also be set per connection as well (see connection paramters).</p>

**Table 3.12. Config Options For Security**

Property Name	Type	Default Value	Description
qpid.sasl_mechs	string	PLAIN	<p>The SASL mechanism to be used. More than one could be specified as a comma separated list.</p> <p>We currently support the following mechanisms {PLAIN   GSSAPI   EXTERNAL}.</p> <p>This could also be set per connection as well (see connection paramters).</p>
qpid.sasl_protocol	string	AMQP	<p>When using GSSAPI as the SASL mechanism, <code>sasl_protocol</code> must be set to the principal for the qpid broker, e.g. <code>qpid</code>.</p> <p>This could also be set per connection as well (see connection paramters).</p>

Property Name	Type	Default Value	Description
qpid.sasl_server_name	string	localhost	<p>When using GSSAPI as the SASL mechanism, sasl_server must be set to the host for the SASL server, e.g. example.com.</p> <p>This could also be set per connection as well (see connection paramters).</p>

**Table 3.13. Config Options For Security - Standard JVM properties needed when using GSSAPI as the SASL mechanism.<sup>a</sup>**

Property Name	Type	Default Value	Description
javax.security.auth.useSubjectCredsOnly	boolean	true	If set to 'false', forces the SASL GASSPI client to obtain the kerberos credentials explicitly instead of obtaining from the "subject" that owns the current thread.
java.security.auth.login.config	string		<p>Specifies the jass configuration file.</p> <p>Ex- Djava.security.auth.login.config</p> <p>Here is the sample myjas.conf JASS configuration file:</p> <pre> com.sun.security.jgss.initialContextFactory=com.sun.security.auth }; </pre>

<sup>a</sup>Please refer to the Java security documentation for a complete understanding of the above properties.

**Table 3.14. Config Options For Security - Using SSL for securing connections or using EXTERNAL as the SASL mechanism.**

Property Name	Type	Default Value	Description
qpid.ssl_timeout	long	60000	Timeout value used by the Java SSL engine when waiting on operations.
qpid.ssl.keyStoreCertType	string	SunX509	The certificate type.



Property Name	Type	Default Value	Description
			This could also be set per connection as well (see connection paramters).
qpid.ssl.trustStoreCertType	string	SunX509	The certificate type.  This could also be set per connection as well (see connection paramters).

**Table 3.15. Config Options For Security - Standard JVM properties needed when Using SSL for securing connections or using EXTERNAL as the SASL mechanism.<sup>a</sup>**

Property Name	Type	Default Value	Description
javax.net.ssl.keyStore	string	jvm default	Specifies the key store path.  This could also be set per connection as well (see connection paramters).
javax.net.ssl.keyStorePassword	string	jvm default	Specifies the key store password.  This could also be set per connection as well (see connection paramters).
javax.net.ssl.trustStore	string	jvm default	Specifies the trust store path.  This could also be set per connection as well (see connection paramters).
javax.net.ssl.trustStorePassword	string	jvm default	Specifies the trust store password.  This could also be set per connection as well (see connection paramters).

<sup>a</sup>Qpid allows you to have per connection key and trust stores if required. If specified per connection, the JVM arguments are ignored.

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# Chapter 4. Using the Qpid WCF client

## 4.1. XML and Binary Bindings

The Qpid WCF client provides two bindings, each with support for Windows .NET transactions.

The `AmqpBinding` is suitable for communication between two WCF applications. By default it uses the WCF binary .NET XML encoder (`BinaryMessageEncodingBindingElement`) for efficient message transmission, but it can also use the text and Message Transmission Optimization Mechanism (MTOM) encoders. Here is a traditional service model sample program using the `AmqpBinding`. It assumes that the queue "hello\_service\_node" has been created and configured on the AMQP broker.

### Example 4.1. Traditional service model "Hello world!" example

```
namespace Apache.Qpid.Documentation.HelloService
{
    using System;
    using System.ServiceModel;
    using System.ServiceModel.Channels;
    using System.Threading;
    using Apache.Qpid.Channel;

    [ServiceContract]
    public interface IHelloService
    {
        [OperationContract(IsOneWay = true, Action = "*")]
        void SayHello(string greeting);
    }

    public class HelloService : IHelloService
    {
        private static int greetingCount;

        public static int GreetingCount
        {
            get { return greetingCount; }
        }

        public void SayHello(string greeting)
        {
            Console.WriteLine("Service received: " + greeting);
            greetingCount++;
        }

        static void Main(string[] args)
        {
            try
            {
                AmqpBinding amqpBinding = new AmqpBinding();
                amqpBinding.BrokerHost = "localhost";
            }
        }
    }
}
```

```
amqpBinding.BrokerPort = 5672;

ServiceHost serviceHost = new ServiceHost(typeof(HelloService));
serviceHost.AddServiceEndpoint(typeof(HelloService),
    amqpBinding, "amqp:hello_service_node");
serviceHost.Open();

// Send the service a test greeting
Uri amqpClientUri=new Uri("amqp:amq.direct?routingkey=hello_service_node");
EndpointAddress clientEndpoint = new EndpointAddress(amqpClientUri);
ChannelFactory<HelloService> channelFactory =
    new ChannelFactory<HelloService>(amqpBinding, clientEndpoint);
HelloService clientProxy = channelFactory.CreateChannel();

clientProxy.SayHello("Greetings from WCF client");

// wait for service to process the greeting
while (HelloService.GreetingCount == 0)
{
    Thread.Sleep(100);
}
channelFactory.Close();
serviceHost.Close();
}
catch (Exception e)
{
    Console.WriteLine("Exception: {0}", e);
}
}
}
```

The second binding, `AmqpBinaryBinding`, is suitable for WCF applications that need to inter-operate with non-WCF clients or that wish to have direct access to the raw wire representation of the message body. It relies on a custom encoder to read and write raw (binary) content which operates similarly to the `ByteStream` encoder (introduced in .NET 4.0). The encoder presents an abstract XML infoset view of the raw message content on input. On output, the encoder does the reverse and peels away the XML infoset layer exposing the raw content to the wire representation of the message body. The application must do the inverse of what the encoder does to allow the XML infoset wrapper to cancel properly. This is demonstrated in the following sample code (using the channel programming model) which directly manipulates or provides callbacks to the WCF message readers and writers when the content is consumed. In contrast to the `AmqpBinding` sample where the simple greeting is encapsulated in a compressed SOAP envelope, the wire representation of the message contains the raw content and is identical and fully interoperable with the Qpid C++ "Hello world!" example.

#### **Example 4.2. Binary "Hello world!" example using the channel model**

```
namespace Apache.Qpid.Samples.Channel.HelloWorld
{
    using System;
    using System.ServiceModel;
    using System.ServiceModel.Channels;
```

```
using System.ServiceModel.Description;
using System.Text;
using System.Xml;
using Apache.Qpid.Channel;

public class HelloWorld
{
    static void Main(string[] args)
    {
        String broker = "localhost";
        int port = 5672;
        String target = "amq.topic";
        String source = "my_topic_node";

        if (args.Length > 0)
        {
            broker = args[0];
        }

        if (args.Length > 1)
        {
            port = int.Parse(args[1]);
        }

        if (args.Length > 2)
        {
            target = args[2];
        }

        if (args.Length > 3)
        {
            source = args[3];
        }

        AmqpBinaryBinding binding = new AmqpBinaryBinding();
        binding.BrokerHost = broker;
        binding.BrokerPort = port;

        IChannelFactory<IInputChannel> receiverFactory = binding.BuildChannelFactory<IInputChannel>();
        receiverFactory.Open();
        IInputChannel receiver = receiverFactory.CreateChannel(new EndpointAddress("amq.topic"));
        receiver.Open();

        IChannelFactory<IOutputChannel> senderFactory = binding.BuildChannelFactory<IOutputChannel>();
        senderFactory.Open();
        IOutputChannel sender = senderFactory.CreateChannel(new EndpointAddress("amq.topic"));
        sender.Open();

        sender.Send(Message.CreateMessage(MessageVersion.None, "", new HelloWorldBin
        Message message = receiver.Receive();
        XmlDictionaryReader reader = message.GetReaderAtBodyContents();
        while (!reader.HasValue)
        {
```

```

        reader.Read();
    }

    byte[] binaryContent = reader.ReadContentAsBase64();
    string text = Encoding.UTF8.GetString(binaryContent);

    Console.WriteLine(text);

    senderFactory.Close();
    receiverFactory.Close();
}

}

public class HelloWorldBinaryBodyWriter : BodyWriter
{
    public HelloWorldBinaryBodyWriter() : base (true) {}

    protected override void OnWriteBodyContents(XmlDictionaryWriter writer)
    {
        byte[] binaryContent = Encoding.UTF8.GetBytes("Hello world!");

        // wrap the content:
        writer.WriteStartElement("Binary");
        writer.WriteBase64(binaryContent, 0, binaryContent.Length);
    }
}
}

```

Bindings define ChannelFactories and ChannelListeners associated with an AMQP Broker. WCF will frequently automatically create and manage the life cycle of a these and the resulting IChannel objects used in message transfer. The binding parameters that can be set are:

**Table 4.1. WCF Binding Parameters**

Parameter	Default	Description
BrokerHost	localhost	The broker's server name. Currently the WCF channel only supports connections with a single broker. Failover to multiple brokers will be provided in the future.
BrokerPort	5672	The port the broker is listening on.
PrefetchLimit	0	The number of messages to prefetch from the amqp broker before the application actually consumes them. Increasing this number can dramatically increase the read performance in some circumstances.
Shared	false	Indicates if separate channels to the same broker can share an underlying AMQP tcp connection (provided they also share the same authentication credentials).

Parameter	Default	Description
TransferMode	buffered	Indicates whether the channel's encoder uses the WCF BufferManager cache to temporarily store message content during the encoding/decoding phase. For small to medium sized SOAP based messages, buffered is usually the preferred choice. For binary messages, streamed TransferMode is the more efficient mode.

## 4.2. Endpoints

In Qpid 0.6 the WCF Endpoints map to simple AMQP 0-10 exchanges (IOutputChannel) or AMQP 0-10 queues (IInputChannel). The format for an IOutputChannel is

```
"amqp:amq.direct" or "amqp:my_exchange?routingkey=my_routing_key"
```

and for an IInputChannel is

```
"amqp:my_queue"
```

The routing key is in fact a default value associated with the particular channel. Outgoing messages can always have their routing key uniquely set.

If the respective queue or exchange doesn't exist, an exception is thrown when opening the channel. Queues and exchanges can be created and configured using qpid-config.

## 4.3. Message Headers

AMQP specific message headers can be set on or retrieved from the ServiceModel.Channels.Message using the AmqpProperties type.

For example, on output:

```
AmqpProperties props = new AmqpProperties();
props.Durable = true;
props.PropertyMap.Add("my_custom_header", new AmqpString("a custom value"));
Message msg = Message.CreateMessage(args);
msg.Properties.Add("AmqpProperties", amqpProperties);
outputChannel.Send(msg);
```

On input the headers can be accessed from the Message or extracted from the operation context

```
public void SayHello(string greeting)
{
    AmqpProperties props = (AmqpProperties) OperationContext.
        Current.IncomingMessageProperties["AmqpProperties"];
}
```

```
AmqpString extra = (AmqpString) props.PropertyMap["my_custom_header"];
Console.WriteLine("Service received: {0} and {1}", greeting, extra);
}
```

## 4.4. Security

To engage TLS/SSL:

```
binding.Security.Mode = AmqpSecurityMode.Transport;
binding.Security.Transport.UseSSL = true;
binding.BrokerPort = 5671;
```

Currently the WCF client only provides SASL PLAIN (i.e. username and password) authentication. To provide a username and password, you can set the `DefaultAmqpCredential` value in the binding. This value can be overridden or set for a binding's channel factories and listeners, either by setting the `ClientCredentials` as a binding parameter, or by using an `AmqpCredential` as a binding parameter. The search order for credentials is the `AmqpCredential` binding parameter, followed by the `ClientCredentials` (unless `IgnoreEndpointClientCredentials` has been set), and finally defaulting to the `DefaultAmqpCredential` of the binding itself. Here is a sample using `ClientCredentials`:

```
ClientCredentials credentials = new ClientCredentials();
credentials.UserName.UserName = "guest";
credentials.UserName.Password = "guest";
bindingParameters = new BindingParameterCollection();
bindingParameters.Add(credentials);
readerFactory = binding.BuildChannelFactory<IInputChannel>(bindingParameters);
```

## 4.5. Transactions

The WCF channel provides a transaction resource manager module and a recovery module that together provide distributed transaction support with one-phase optimization. Some configuration is required on Windows machines to enable transaction support (see your installation notes or top level `ReadMe.txt` file for instructions). Once properly configured, the Qpid WCF channel acts as any other `System.Transactions` aware resource, capable of participating in explicit or implicit transactions.

Server code:

```
[OperationBehavior(TransactionScopeRequired = true,
                    TransactionAutoComplete = true)]

public void SayHello(string greeting)
{
    // increment ExactlyOnceReceived counter on DB

    // Success: transaction auto completes:
}
```

Because this operation involves two transaction resources, the database and the AMQP message broker, this operates as a full two phase commit transaction managed by the Distributed Transaction Coordinator service. If the transaction proceeds without error, both `ExactlyOnceReceived` is incremented in the

database and the AMQP message is consumed from the broker. Otherwise, ExactlyOnceReceived is unchanged and AMQP message is returned to its queue on the broker.

For the client code a few changes are made to the non-transacted example. For "exactly once" semantics, we set the AMQP "Durable" message property and enclose the transacted activities in a TransactionScope:

```
AmqpProperties myDefaults = new AmqpProperties();
myDefaults.Durable = true;
amqpBinding.DefaultMessageProperties = myDefaults;
ChannelFactory<IHelloService> channelFactory =
new ChannelFactory<IHelloService>(amqpBinding, clientEndpoint);
IHelloService clientProxy = channelFactory.CreateChannel();

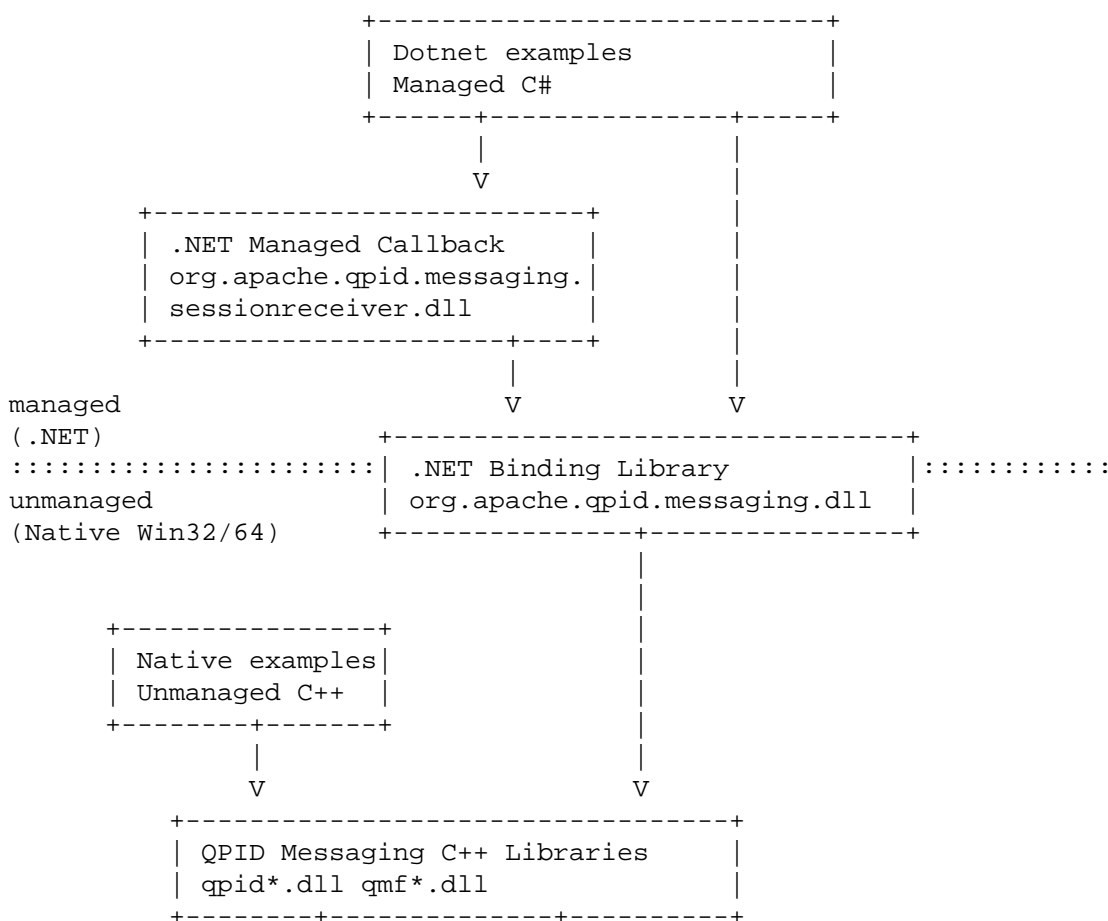
using (TransactionScope ts = new TransactionScope())
{
    AmqpProperties amqpProperties = new AmqpProperties();
    clientProxy.SayHello("Greetings from WCF client");
    // increment ExactlyOnceSent counter on DB
    ts.Complete();
}
```



# Chapter 5. The .NET Binding for the C++ Messaging Client

The .NET Binding for the C++ Qpid Messaging Client is a library that gives any .NET program access to Qpid C++ Messaging objects and methods.

## 5.1. .NET Binding for the C++ Messaging Client Component Architecture



This diagram illustrates the code and library components of the binding and the hierarchical relationships between them.

**Table 5.1. .NET Binding for the C++ Messaging Client Component Architecture**

Component Name	Component Function
QPID Messaging C++ Libraries	The QPID Messaging C++ core run time system

Component Name	Component Function
Unmanaged C++ Example Source Programs	Ordinary C++ programs that illustrate using qpid/cpp Messaging directly in a native Windows environment.
.NET Messaging Binding Library	The .NET Messaging Binding library provides interoperability between managed .NET programs and the unmanaged, native Qpid Messaging C++ core run time system. .NET programs create a Reference to this library thereby exposing all of the native C++ Messaging functionality to programs written in any .NET language.
.NET Messaging Managed Callback Library	An extension of the .NET Messaging Binding Library that provides message callbacks in a managed .NET environment.
Managed C# .NET Example Source Programs	Various C# example programs that illustrate using .NET Binding for C++ Messaging in the .NET environment.

## 5.2. .NET Binding for the C++ Messaging Client Examples

This chapter describes the various sample programs that are available to illustrate common Qpid Messaging usage.

**Table 5.2. Example : Client - Server**

Example Name	Example Description
csharp.example.server	Creates a Receiver and listens for messages. Upon message reception the message content is converted to upper case and forwarded to the received message's ReplyTo address.
csharp.example.client	Sends a series of messages to the Server and prints the original message content and the received message content.

**Table 5.3. Example : Map Sender – Map Receiver**

Example Name	Example Description
csharp.map.receiver	Creates a Receiver and listens for a map message. Upon message reception the message is decoded and displayed on the console.
csharp.map.sender	Creates a map message and sends it to map.receiver. The map message contains values for every supported .NET Messaging Binding data type.

**Table 5.4. Example : Spout - Drain**

Example Name	Example Description
csharp.example.spout	Spout is a more complex example of code that generates a series of messages and sends them to peer program Drain. Flexible command line arguments allow the user to specify a variety of message and program options.
csharp.example.drain	Drain is a more complex example of code that receives a series of messages and displays their contents on the console.

**Table 5.5. Example : Map Callback Sender – Map Callback Receiver**

Example Name	Example Description
csharp.map.callback.receiver	Creates a Receiver and listens for a map message. Upon message reception the message is decoded and displayed on the console. This example illustrates the use of the C# managed code callback mechanism provided by .NET Messaging Binding Managed Callback Library.
csharp.map.callback.sender	Creates a map message and sends it to map_receiver. The map message contains values for every supported .NET Messaging Binding data type.

**Table 5.6. Example - Declare Queues**

Example Name	Example Description
csharp.example.declare_queues	A program to illustrate creating objects on a broker. This program creates a queue used by spout and drain.

**Table 5.7. Example: Direct Sender - Direct Receiver**

Example Name	Example Description
csharp.direct.receiver	Creates a Receiver and listens for a messages. Upon message reception the message is decoded and displayed on the console.
csharp.direct.sender	Creates a series of messages and sends them to csharp.direct.receiver.

**Table 5.8. Example: Hello World**

Example Name	Example Description
csharp.example.helloworld	A program to send a message and to receive the same message.

## 5.3. .NET Binding Class Mapping to Underlying C++ Messaging API

This chapter describes the specific mappings between classes in the .NET Binding and the underlying C++ Messaging API.

### 5.3.1. .NET Binding for the C++ Messaging API Class: Address

**Table 5.9. .NET Binding for the C++ Messaging API Class: Address**

.NET Binding Class: Address	
Language	Syntax
C++	class Address
.NET	public ref class Address
Constructor	
C++	Address();
.NET	public Address();
Constructor	
C++	Address(const std::string& address);
.NET	public Address(string address);
Constructor	
C++	Address(const std::string& name, const std::string& subject, const qpId::types::Variant::Map& options, const std::string& type = "");
.NET	public Address(string name, string subject, Dictionary<string, object> options);
.NET	public Address(string name, string subject, Dictionary<string, object> options, string type);
Copy constructor	
C++	Address(const Address& address);
.NET	public Address(Address address);
Destructor	
C++	~Address();
.NET	~Address();
Finalizer	
C++	n/a
.NET	!Address();
Copy assignment operator	
C++	Address& operator=(const Address&);
.NET	public Address op_Assign(Address rhs);
Property: Name	
C++	const std::string& getName() const;

<b>.NET Binding Class: Address</b>	
<b>Language</b>	<b>Syntax</b>
C++	void setName(const std::string&);
.NET	public string Name { get; set; }
Property: Subject	
C++	const std::string& getSubject() const;
C++	void setSubject(const std::string&);
.NET	public string Subject { get; set; }
Property: Options	
C++	const qpId::types::Variant::Map& getOptions() const;
C++	qpId::types::Variant::Map& getOptions();
C++	void setOptions(const qpId::types::Variant::Map&);
.NET	public Dictionary<string, object> Options { get; set; }
Property: Type	
C++	std::string getType() const;
C++	void setType(const std::string&);
.NET	public string Type { get; set; }
Miscellaneous	
C++	std::string str() const;
.NET	public string ToString();
Miscellaneous	
C++	operator bool() const;
.NET	n/a
Miscellaneous	
C++	bool operator !() const;
.NET	n/a

### 5.3.2. .NET Binding for the C++ Messaging API Class: Connection

**Table 5.10. .NET Binding for the C++ Messaging API Class: Connection**

<b>.NET Binding Class: Connection</b>	
<b>Language</b>	<b>Syntax</b>
C++	class Connection : public qpId::messaging::Handle<ConnectionImpl>
.NET	public ref class Connection
Constructor	
C++	Connection(ConnectionImpl* impl);
.NET	n/a
Constructor	

<b>.NET Binding Class: Connection</b>	
<b>Language</b>	<b>Syntax</b>
C++	Connection();
.NET	n/a
Constructor	
C++	Connection(const std::string& url, const qpId::types::Variant::Map& options = qpId::types::Variant::Map());
.NET	public Connection(string url);
.NET	public Connection(string url, Dictionary<string, object> options);
Constructor	
C++	Connection(const std::string& url, const std::string& options);
.NET	public Connection(string url, string options);
Copy Constructor	
C++	Connection(const Connection&);
.NET	public Connection(Connection connection);
Destructor	
C++	~Connection();
.NET	~Connection();
Finalizer	
C++	n/a
.NET	!Connection();
Copy assignment operator	
C++	Connection& operator=(const Connection&);
.NET	public Connection op_Assign(Connection rhs);
Method: SetOption	
C++	void setOption(const std::string& name, const qpId::types::Variant& value);
.NET	public void SetOption(string name, object value);
Method: open	
C++	void open();
.NET	public void Open();
Property: isOpen	
C++	bool isOpen();
.NET	public bool IsOpen { get; }
Method: close	
C++	void close();
.NET	public void Close();
Method: createTransactionalSession	
C++	Session createTransactionalSession(const std::string& name = std::string());
.NET	public Session CreateTransactionalSession();

<b>.NET Binding Class: Connection</b>	
<b>Language</b>	<b>Syntax</b>
.NET	public Session CreateTransactionalSession(string name);
Method: createSession	
C++	Session createSession(const std::string& name = std::string());
.NET	public Session CreateSession();
.NET	public Session CreateSession(string name);
Method: getSession	
C++	Session getSession(const std::string& name) const;
.NET	public Session GetSession(string name);
Property: AuthenticatedUsername	
C++	std::string getAuthenticatedUsername();
.NET	public string GetAuthenticatedUsername();

### 5.3.3. .NET Binding for the C++ Messaging API Class: Duration

**Table 5.11. .NET Binding for the C++ Messaging API Class: Duration**

<b>.NET Binding Class: Duration</b>	
<b>Language</b>	<b>Syntax</b>
C++	class Duration
.NET	public ref class Duration
Constructor	
C++	explicit Duration(uint64_t milliseconds);
.NET	public Duration(ulong mS);
Copy constructor	
C++	n/a
.NET	public Duration(Duration rhs);
Destructor	
C++	default
.NET	default
Finalizer	
C++	n/a
.NET	default
Property: Milliseconds	
C++	uint64_t getMilliseconds() const;
.NET	public ulong Milliseconds { get; }
Operator: *	
C++	Duration operator*(const Duration& duration, uint64_t multiplier);

<b>.NET Binding Class: Duration</b>	
<b>Language</b>	<b>Syntax</b>
.NET	public static Duration operator *(Duration dur, ulong multiplier);
.NET	public static Duration Multiply(Duration dur, ulong multiplier);
C++	Duration operator*(uint64_t multiplier, const Duration& duration);
.NET	public static Duration operator *(ulong multiplier, Duration dur);
.NET	public static Duration Multiply(ulong multiplier, Duration dur);
Constants	
C++	static const Duration FOREVER;
C++	static const Duration IMMEDIATE;
C++	static const Duration SECOND;
C++	static const Duration MINUTE;
.NET	public sealed class DurationConstants
.NET	public static Duration FORVER;
.NET	public static Duration IMMEDIATE;
.NET	public static Duration MINUTE;
.NET	public static Duration SECOND;

## 5.3.4. .NET Binding for the C++ Messaging API Class: FailoverUpdates

**Table 5.12. .NET Binding for the C++ Messaging API Class: FailoverUpdates**

<b>.NET Binding Class: FailoverUpdates</b>	
<b>Language</b>	<b>Syntax</b>
C++	class FailoverUpdates
.NET	public ref class FailoverUpdates
Constructor	
C++	FailoverUpdates(Connection& connection);
.NET	public FailoverUpdates(Connection connection);
Destructor	
C++	~FailoverUpdates();
.NET	~FailoverUpdates();
Finalizer	
C++	n/a
.NET	!FailoverUpdates();



## 5.3.5. .NET Binding for the C++ Messaging API Class: Message

**Table 5.13. .NET Binding for the C++ Messaging API Class: Message**

<b>.NET Binding Class: Message</b>	
<b>Language</b>	<b>Syntax</b>
C++	class Message
.NET	public ref class Message
<b>Constructor</b>	
C++	Message(const std::string& bytes = std::string());
.NET	Message();
.NET	Message(System::String ^ theStr);
.NET	Message(System::Object ^ theValue);
.NET	Message(array<System::Byte> ^ bytes);
<b>Constructor</b>	
C++	Message(const char*, size_t);
.NET	public Message(byte[] bytes, int offset, int size);
	Copy constructor
C++	Message(const Message&);
.NET	public Message(Message message);
	Copy assignment operator
C++	Message& operator=(const Message&);
.NET	public Message op_Assign(Message rhs);
<b>Destructor</b>	
C++	~Message();
.NET	~Message();
<b>Finalizer</b>	
C++	n/a
.NET	!Message()
<b>Property: ReplyTo</b>	
C++	void setReplyTo(const Address&);
C++	const Address& getReplyTo() const;
.NET	public Address ReplyTo { get; set; }
<b>Property: Subject</b>	
C++	void setSubject(const std::string&);
C++	const std::string& getSubject() const;
.NET	public string Subject { get; set; }
<b>Property: ContentType</b>	
C++	void setContentType(const std::string&);

<b>.NET Binding Class: Message</b>	
<b>Language</b>	<b>Syntax</b>
C++	const std::string& getContentType() const;
.NET	public string ContentType { get; set; }
Property: MessageId	
C++	void setMessageId(const std::string&);
C++	const std::string& getMessageId() const;
.NET	public string MessageId { get; set; }
Property: UserId	
C++	void setUserId(const std::string&);
C++	const std::string& getUserId() const;
.NET	public string UserId { get; set; }
Property: CorrelationId	
C++	void setCorrelationId(const std::string&);
C++	const std::string& getCorrelationId() const;
.NET	public string CorrelationId { get; set; }
Property: Priority	
C++	void setPriority(uint8_t);
C++	uint8_t getPriority() const;
.NET	public byte Priority { get; set; }
Property: Ttl	
C++	void setTtl(Duration ttl);
C++	Duration getTtl() const;
.NET	public Duration Ttl { get; set; }
Property: Durable	
C++	void setDurable(bool durable);
C++	bool getDurable() const;
.NET	public bool Durable { get; set; }
Property: Redelivered	
C++	bool getRedelivered() const;
C++	void setRedelivered(bool);
.NET	public bool Redelivered { get; set; }
Method: SetProperty	
C++	void setProperty(const std::string&, const qpId::types::Variant&);
.NET	public void SetProperty(string name, object value);
Property: Properties	
C++	const qpId::types::Variant::Map& getProperties() const;
C++	qpId::types::Variant::Map& getProperties();
.NET	public Dictionary<string, object> Properties { get; set; }

<b>.NET Binding Class: Message</b>	
<b>Language</b>	<b>Syntax</b>
Method: SetContent	
C++	void setContent(const std::string&);
C++	void setContent(const char* chars, size_t count);
.NET	public void SetContent(byte[] bytes);
.NET	public void SetContent(string content);
.NET	public void SetContent(byte[] bytes, int offset, int size);
Method: GetContent	
C++	std::string getContent() const;
.NET	public string GetContent();
.NET	public void GetContent(byte[] arr);
.NET	public void GetContent(Collection<object> __p1);
.NET	public void GetContent(Dictionary<string, object> dict);
Method: GetContentPtr	
C++	const char* getContentPtr() const;
.NET	n/a
Property: ContentSize	
C++	size_t getContentSize() const;
.NET	public ulong ContentSize { get; }
Struct: EncodingException	
C++	struct EncodingException : qpid::types::Exception
.NET	n/a
Method: decode	
C++	void decode(const Message& message, qpid::types::Variant::Map& map, const std::string& encoding = std::string());
C++	void decode(const Message& message, qpid::types::Variant::List& list, const std::string& encoding = std::string());
.NET	n/a
Method: encode	
C++	void encode(const qpid::types::Variant::Map& map, Message& message, const std::string& encoding = std::string());
C++	void encode(const qpid::types::Variant::List& list, Message& message, const std::string& encoding = std::string());
.NET	n/a
Method: AsString	
C++	n/a
.NET	public string AsString(object obj);
.NET	public string ListAsString(Collection<object> list);
.NET	public string MapAsString(Dictionary<string, object> dict);

## 5.3.6. .NET Binding for the C++ Messaging API Class: Receiver

**Table 5.14. .NET Binding for the C++ Messaging API Class: Receiver**

<b>.NET Binding Class: Receiver</b>	
<b>Language</b>	<b>Syntax</b>
C++	class Receiver
.NET	public ref class Receiver
<b>Constructor</b>	
.NET	Constructed object is returned by Session.CreateReceiver
<b>Copy constructor</b>	
C++	Receiver(const Receiver&);
.NET	public Receiver(Receiver receiver);
<b>Destructor</b>	
C++	~Receiver();
.NET	~Receiver();
<b>Finalizer</b>	
C++	n/a
.NET	!Receiver()
<b>Copy assignment operator</b>	
C++	Receiver& operator=(const Receiver&);
.NET	public Receiver op_Assign(Receiver rhs);
<b>Method: Get</b>	
C++	bool get(Message& message, Duration timeout=Duration::FOREVER);
.NET	public bool Get(Message mmsgp);
.NET	public bool Get(Message mmsgp, Duration durationp);
<b>Method: Get</b>	
C++	Message get(Duration timeout=Duration::FOREVER);
.NET	public Message Get();
.NET	public Message Get(Duration durationp);
<b>Method: Fetch</b>	
C++	bool fetch(Message& message, Duration timeout=Duration::FOREVER);
.NET	public bool Fetch(Message mmsgp);
.NET	public bool Fetch(Message mmsgp, Duration duration);
<b>Method: Fetch</b>	
C++	Message fetch(Duration timeout=Duration::FOREVER);
.NET	public Message Fetch();
.NET	public Message Fetch(Duration durationp);
<b>Property: Capacity</b>	

<b>.NET Binding Class: Receiver</b>	
<b>Language</b>	<b>Syntax</b>
C++	void setCapacity(uint32_t);
C++	uint32_t getCapacity();
.NET	public uint Capacity { get; set; }
Property: Available	
C++	uint32_t getAvailable();
.NET	public uint Available { get; }
Property: Unsettled	
C++	uint32_t getUnsettled();
.NET	public uint Unsettled { get; }
Method: Close	
C++	void close();
.NET	public void Close();
Property: IsClosed	
C++	bool isClosed() const;
.NET	public bool IsClosed { get; }
Property: Name	
C++	const std::string& getName() const;
.NET	public string Name { get; }
Property: Session	
C++	Session getSession() const;
.NET	public Session Session { get; }

### 5.3.7. .NET Binding for the C++ Messaging API Class: Sender

**Table 5.15. .NET Binding for the C++ Messaging API Class: Sender**

<b>.NET Binding Class: Sender</b>	
<b>Language</b>	<b>Syntax</b>
C++	class Sender
.NET	public ref class Sender
Constructor	
.NET	Constructed object is returned by Session.CreateSender
Copy constructor	
C++	Sender(const Sender&);
.NET	public Sender(Sender sender);
Destructor	
C++	~Sender();

<b>.NET Binding Class: Sender</b>	
<b>Language</b>	<b>Syntax</b>
.NET	~Sender();
Finalizer	
C++	n/a
.NET	!Sender()
Copy assignment operator	
C++	Sender& operator=(const Sender&);
.NET	public Sender op_Assign(Sender rhs);
Method: Send	
C++	void send(const Message& message, bool sync=false);
.NET	public void Send(Message mmsgp);
.NET	public void Send(Message mmsgp, bool sync);
Method: Close	
C++	void close();
.NET	public void Close();
Property: Capacity	
C++	void setCapacity(uint32_t);
C++	uint32_t getCapacity();
.NET	public uint Capacity { get; set; }
Property: Available	
C++	uint32_t getAvailable();
.NET	public uint Available { get; }
Property: Unsettled	
C++	uint32_t getUnsettled();
.NET	public uint Unsettled { get; }
Property: Name	
C++	const std::string& getName() const;
.NET	public string Name { get; }
Property: Session	
C++	Session getSession() const;
.NET	public Session Session { get; }

## 5.3.8. .NET Binding for the C++ Messaging API Class: Session

**Table 5.16. .NET Binding for the C++ Messaging API Class: Session**

<b>.NET Binding Class: Session</b>	
<b>Language</b>	<b>Syntax</b>
C++	class Session
.NET	public ref class Session
Constructor	
.NET	Constructed object is returned by Connection.CreateSession
Copy constructor	
C++	Session(const Session&);
.NET	public Session(Session session);
Destructor	
C++	~Session();
.NET	~Session();
Finalizer	
C++	n/a
.NET	!Session()
Copy assignment operator	
C++	Session& operator=(const Session&);
.NET	public Session op_Assign(Session rhs);
Method: Close	
C++	void close();
.NET	public void Close();
Method: Commit	
C++	void commit();
.NET	public void Commit();
Method: Rollback	
C++	void rollback();
.NET	public void Rollback();
Method: Acknowledge	
C++	void acknowledge(bool sync=false);
C++	void acknowledge(Message&, bool sync=false);
.NET	public void Acknowledge();
.NET	public void Acknowledge(bool sync);
.NET	public void Acknowledge(Message __p1);
.NET	public void Acknowledge(Message __p1, bool __p2);
Method: Reject	

<b>.NET Binding Class: Session</b>	
<b>Language</b>	<b>Syntax</b>
C++	void reject(Message&);
.NET	public void Reject(Message __p1);
Method: Release	
C++	void release(Message&);
.NET	public void Release(Message __p1);
Method: Sync	
C++	void sync(bool block=true);
.NET	public void Sync();
.NET	public void Sync(bool block);
Property: Receivable	
C++	uint32_t getReceivable();
.NET	public uint Receivable { get; }
Property: UnsettledAcks	
C++	uint32_t getUnsettledAcks();
.NET	public uint UnsettledAcks { get; }
Method: NextReceiver	
C++	bool nextReceiver(Receiver&, Duration timeout=Duration::FOREVER);
.NET	public bool NextReceiver(Receiver rcvr);
.NET	public bool NextReceiver(Receiver rcvr, Duration timeout);
Method: NextReceiver	
C++	Receiver nextReceiver(Duration timeout=Duration::FOREVER);
.NET	public Receiver NextReceiver();
.NET	public Receiver NextReceiver(Duration timeout);
Method: CreateSender	
C++	Sender createSender(const Address& address);
.NET	public Sender CreateSender(Address address);
Method: CreateSender	
C++	Sender createSender(const std::string& address);
.NET	public Sender CreateSender(string address);
Method: CreateReceiver	
C++	Receiver createReceiver(const Address& address);
.NET	public Receiver CreateReceiver(Address address);
Method: CreateReceiver	
C++	Receiver createReceiver(const std::string& address);
.NET	public Receiver CreateReceiver(string address);
Method: GetSender	
C++	Sender getSender(const std::string& name) const;



.NET Binding Class: Session	
Language	Syntax
.NET	public Sender GetSender(string name);
Method: GetReceiver	
C++	Receiver getReceiver(const std::string& name) const;
.NET	public Receiver GetReceiver(string name);
Property: Connection	
C++	Connection getConnection() const;
.NET	public Connection Connection { get; }
Property: HasError	
C++	bool hasError();
.NET	public bool HasError { get; }
Method: CheckError	
C++	void checkError();
.NET	public void CheckError();

### 5.3.9. .NET Binding Class: SessionReceiver

The SessionReceiver class provides a convenient callback mechanism for Messages received by all Receivers on a given Session.

```
using Org.Apache.Qpid.Messaging;
using System;

namespace Org.Apache.Qpid.Messaging.SessionReceiver
{
    public interface ISessionReceiver
    {
        void SessionReceiver(Receiver receiver, Message message);
    }

    public class CallbackServer
    {
        public CallbackServer(Session session, ISessionReceiver callback);

        public void Close();
    }
}
```

To use this class a client program includes references to both Org.Apache.Qpid.Messaging and Org.Apache.Qpid.Messaging.SessionReceiver. The calling program creates a function that implements the ISessionReceiver interface. This function will be called whenever message is received by the session. The callback process is started by creating a CallbackServer and will continue to run until the client program calls the CallbackServer.Close function.

A complete operating example of using the `SessionReceiver` callback is contained in `cpp/bindings/qpid/dotnet/examples/csharp.map.callback.receiver`.