

# [MS-BDCDP]: Business Data Catalog Data Web Service Protocol Specification

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# 1 Introduction

This document specifies the Business Data Catalog Data Web Service Protocol, which is an interface that protocol clients can use to search software systems that store business data and process rules for an instance of a particular entity.

Sections 1.8, 2, and 3 of this specification are normative and contain RFC 2119 language. Sections 1.5 and 1.9 are also normative but cannot contain RFC 2119 language. All other sections and examples in this specification are informative.

## 1.1 Glossary

The following terms are defined in [\[MS-OFCGLOS\]](#):

**Entity**  
**EntityInstance**  
**EntityInstanceId**  
**field**  
**Identifier**  
**line-of-business (LOB) system**  
**LobSystem**  
**LobSystemInstance**  
**metadata store**  
**MetadataObject**  
**Model**  
**site**  
**SOAP action**  
**SOAP body**  
**SOAP fault**  
**Uniform Resource Locator (URL)**  
**Web Services Description Language (WSDL)**  
**XML namespace**  
**XML schema**

The following terms are specific to this document:

**MAY, SHOULD, MUST, SHOULD NOT, MUST NOT:** These terms (in all caps) are used as described in [\[RFC2119\]](#). All statements of optional behavior use either MAY, SHOULD, or SHOULD NOT.

## 1.2 References

References to Microsoft Open Specification documents do not include a publishing year because links are to the latest version of the documents, which are updated frequently. References to other documents include a publishing year when one is available.

### 1.2.1 Normative References

We conduct frequent surveys of the normative references to assure their continued availability. If you have any issue with finding a normative reference, please contact [dochelp@microsoft.com](mailto:dochelp@microsoft.com). We will assist you in finding the relevant information. Please check the archive site, <http://msdn2.microsoft.com/en-us/library/E4BD6494-06AD-4aed-9823-445E921C9624>, as an additional source.

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[SOAP1.2/1] Gudgin, M., Hadley, M., Mendelsohn, N., Moreau, J., and Nielsen, H.F., "SOAP Version 1.2 Part 1: Messaging Framework", W3C Recommendation, June 2003, <http://www.w3.org/TR/2003/REC-soap12-part1-20030624>

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[XMLSCHEMA2] Biron, P.V., Ed. and Malhotra, A., Ed., "XML Schema Part 2: Datatypes", W3C Recommendation, May 2001, <http://www.w3.org/TR/2001/REC-xmlschema-2-20010502/>

### 1.2.2 Informative References

[MS-OFCGLOS] Microsoft Corporation, "[Microsoft Office Master Glossary](#)".

[RFC2818] Rescorla, E., "HTTP Over TLS", RFC 2818, May 2000, <http://www.ietf.org/rfc/rfc2818.txt>

### 1.3 Protocol Overview (Synopsis)

This document specifies a consistent selection process for information stored in any line-of-business (LOB) system for protocol client retrieval.

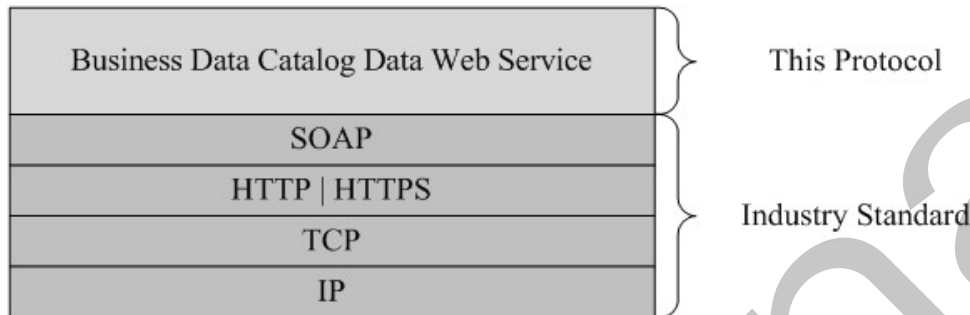
Enterprises store a variety of information in various **line-of-business (LOB) systems**. This protocol specifies unified information selection for all types of **LobSystems**. The protocol enables consistent processing for the user experience because it describes **LobSystems** in terms of **Models**, **LobSystemInstances**, and the business data types they store as **Entities**. It also describes how the protocol client selects information from the protocol server.

This protocol enables a protocol client to retrieve an **EntityInstanceId** and the values for a list of **field (4)** names for an **Entity** associated with a **LobSystemInstance**. The protocol allows the protocol client to send the **LobSystemInstance** name, the **Entity** name, a value to resolve, and a list of **Entity** fields (4) to the protocol server, and to receive the serialized **EntityInstanceId** and the list of **Entity** field (4) name-value pairs.

#### 1.4 Relationship to Other Protocols

This protocol uses the SOAP messaging protocol for formatting requests and responses as described either in [\[SOAP1.1\]](#) or in [\[SOAP1.2/1\]](#) and [\[SOAP1.2/2\]](#). It transmits these messages using the HTTP protocol as described in [\[RFC2616\]](#) or the HTTPS protocol as described in [\[RFC2818\]](#).

The following diagram shows the underlying messaging and transport stack that the protocol uses:



**Figure 1: This protocol in relation to other protocols**

#### 1.5 Prerequisites/Preconditions

This protocol operates against a **site (2)** that is known to protocol clients by its **URL**. The protocol client forms an endpoint by appending `"/_vti_bin/bdcfieldsresolver.aspx"` to the URL of the site, for example `"http://www.contoso.com/Repository/_vti_bin/bdcfieldsresolver.aspx"`. This protocol assumes that the underlying protocols perform authentication.

#### 1.6 Applicability Statement

None.

#### 1.7 Versioning and Capability Negotiation

This document describes versioning issues in the following areas:

- **Supported transports:** This protocol uses multiple transports with SOAP as specified in section [2.1](#).

#### 1.8 Vendor-Extensible Fields

None.

#### 1.9 Standards Assignments

None.



## 2 Messages

### 2.1 Transport

Protocol servers MUST support SOAP over HTTP. Protocol servers additionally support SOAP over HTTPS to secure communication with protocol clients.

Protocol messages MUST be formatted as specified either in [\[SOAP1.1\]](#), section 4 or in [\[SOAP1.2/1\]](#) section 5. Protocol server faults MUST be returned using HTTP Status Codes as specified in [\[RFC2616\]](#) section 10, or using **SOAP faults** as specified in [\[SOAP1.1\]](#) section 4.4 or in [\[SOAP1.2/1\]](#) section 5.4.

### 2.2 Common Message Syntax

This section contains common definitions that are used by this protocol. The syntax of the definitions uses **XML schema**, as specified in [\[XMLSCHEMA1\]](#) and [\[XMLSCHEMA2\]](#), and **WSDL**, as specified in [\[WSDL\]](#).

#### 2.2.1 Namespaces

This protocol specifies and references **XML namespaces** using the mechanisms specified in [\[XMLNS\]](#). Although this document associates an XML namespace prefix for each XML namespace that is used, the choice of any particular XML namespace prefix is implementation-specific and not significant for interoperability.

Prefix	Namespace URI	Reference
soap	<a href="http://schemas.xmlsoap.org/wsdl/soap/">http://schemas.xmlsoap.org/wsdl/soap/</a>	<a href="#">[SOAP1.1]</a>
tns	<a href="http://microsoft.com/webservices/SharePointPortalServer/BDCClientWS/">http://microsoft.com/webservices/SharePointPortalServer/BDCClientWS/</a>	
s	<a href="http://www.w3.org/2001/XMLSchema">http://www.w3.org/2001/XMLSchema</a>	<a href="#">[XMLSCHEMA1]</a> <a href="#">[XMLSCHEMA2]</a>
soap12	<a href="http://schemas.xmlsoap.org/wsdl/soap12/">http://schemas.xmlsoap.org/wsdl/soap12/</a>	<a href="#">[SOAP1.2/1]</a> <a href="#">[SOAP1.2/2]</a>
(none)	<a href="http://microsoft.com/webservices/SharePointPortalServer/BDCClientWS/">http://microsoft.com/webservices/SharePointPortalServer/BDCClientWS/</a>	
wsdl	<a href="http://schemas.xmlsoap.org/wsdl/">http://schemas.xmlsoap.org/wsdl/</a>	<a href="#">[WSDL]</a>
mime	<a href="http://schemas.xmlsoap.org/wsdl/mime/">http://schemas.xmlsoap.org/wsdl/mime/</a>	<a href="#">[WSDL]</a>
http	<a href="http://schemas.xmlsoap.org/wsdl/http/">http://schemas.xmlsoap.org/wsdl/http/</a>	<a href="#">[WSDL]</a>
tm	<a href="http://microsoft.com/wsdl/mime/textMatching/">http://microsoft.com/wsdl/mime/textMatching/</a>	<a href="#">[WSDL]</a>
soapenc	<a href="http://schemas.xmlsoap.org/soap/encoding/">http://schemas.xmlsoap.org/soap/encoding/</a>	

#### 2.2.2 Messages

This specification does not define any common WSDL message definitions.

#### 2.2.3 Elements

This specification does not define any common XML schema element definitions.

#### **2.2.4 Complex Types**

This specification does not define any common XML schema complex type definitions.

#### **2.2.5 Simple Types**

This specification does not define any common XML schema simple type definitions.

#### **2.2.6 Attributes**

This specification does not define any common XML schema attribute definitions.

#### **2.2.7 Groups**

This specification does not define any common XML schema group definitions.

#### **2.2.8 Attribute Groups**

This specification does not define any common XML schema attribute group definitions.

#### **2.2.9 Common Data Structures**

This specification does not define any common XML schema data structures.

## 3 Protocol Details

This protocol operates between the protocol client and a protocol server. The protocol client initiates the communication, and the protocol server responds. The protocol server does not retain any states.

The client side of this protocol is simply a pass-through. That is, no additional timers or other state is required on the client side of this protocol. Calls made by the higher-layer protocol or application are passed directly to the transport, and the results returned by the transport are passed directly back to the higher-layer protocol or application.

Except where specified, protocol clients interpret HTTP status codes returned by the protocol server as specified in [\[RFC2616\]](#) section 10.

Protocol servers perform implementation-specific authorization checks and notify protocol clients of authorization faults using either HTTP status codes or SOAP faults.

### 3.1 Protocol Server Details

#### 3.1.1 Abstract Data Model

This section describes a conceptual model of possible data organization that an implementation maintains to participate in this protocol. The described organization is provided to facilitate the explanation of how the protocol behaves. This document does not mandate that implementations adhere to this model as long as their external behavior is consistent with that described in this document.

The protocol server **MUST** maintain lists of the following **MetadataObject** types: **LobSystem**, **LobSystemInstance**, and **Entity**. The protocol server maintains the following relationships between these **MetadataObject** types:

- **LobSystems** contain all **Entities**.
- **LobSystems** contain all **LobSystemInstances**.

The protocol server **MUST** assign unique names to the following **MetadataObjects**.

- All **Entities** contained by a particular **LobSystem**.
- All **LobSystemInstances** contained by a **metadata store**.
- All **LobSystems** contained by a **metadata store**.

#### 3.1.2 Timers

None.

#### 3.1.3 Initialization

None.

#### 3.1.4 Message Processing Events and Sequencing Rules

The following table summarizes the list of WSDL operations as defined by this specification:

Operation	Description
<b>Resolve</b>	This operation retrieves the values of a list of <b>Entity</b> fields (4) associated with the <b>EntityInstance</b> that was specified in the input criteria.

### 3.1.4.1 Resolve

This operation searches for an **EntityInstance** that matches the specified input criteria. The input criteria are the **LobSystemInstance** name, the **Entity** name and value to resolve. The mechanism used by the protocol server to match the **EntityInstances** is implementation-specific.

```
<wsdl:operation name="Resolve">
  <wsdl:input message="ResolveSoapIn" />
  <wsdl:output message="ResolveSoapOut" />
</wsdl:operation>
```

The protocol client sends a **ResolveSoapIn** request message and the protocol server responds with a **ResolveSoapOut** response message. The protocol client MUST specify the following:

- The name of the **LobSystemInstance** to search.
- The name of the **Entity** to search.
- The search string that represents the value to resolve.
- The field (4) names of the **Entity** for which to retrieve the values of the specified **EntityInstance**.

If exactly one **EntityInstance** is found, the protocol server sends the serialized **EntityInstanceId** of the specified **EntityInstance**, along with the list of name-value pairs for the fields (4) of the specified **Entity** and the status of the operation.

This operation MUST return a **ResolveResult** message with the **ResolveStatus** element set, as specified in sections [3.1.4.1.3.1](#).

#### 3.1.4.1.1 Messages

The following table summarizes the set of WSDL message definitions that are specific to this operation.

Message	Description
<b>ResolveSoapIn</b>	A request message for the <b>Resolve</b> operation.
<b>ResolveSoapOut</b>	The response message for the <b>Resolve</b> operation.

##### 3.1.4.1.1.1 ResolveSoapIn

The **ResolveSoapIn** message is the request message for the **Resolve** operation.

The **SOAP action** value of the message is:

```
http://microsoft.com/webservices/SharePointPortalServer/BDCClientWS/Resolve
```

The **SOAP body** contains a **Resolve** element.

### 3.1.4.1.1.2 ResolveSoapOut

The **ResolveSoapOut** message is the response message for the **Resolve** operation.

The SOAP action value of the message is:

```
http://microsoft.com/webservices/SharePointPortalServer/BDCClientWS/Resolve
```

The SOAP body contains a **ResolveResponse** element that **MUST** specify the status of the operation.

### 3.1.4.1.2 Elements

The following table summarizes the XML schema element definitions that are specific to this operation.

Element	Description
<b>Resolve</b>	A message containing the input data for the <b>Resolve</b> operation.
<b>ResolveResponse</b>	A message containing the output data of a <b>Resolve</b> operation.

#### 3.1.4.1.2.1 Resolve

The **Resolve** message contains the input data for the **Resolve** operation.

```
<s:element name="Resolve">
  <s:complexType>
    <s:sequence>
      <s:element minOccurs="1" maxOccurs="1" name="systemInstance" type="s:string" />
      <s:element minOccurs="1" maxOccurs="1" name="entity" type="s:string" />
      <s:element minOccurs="1" maxOccurs="1" name="valueToResolve" type="s:string" />
      <s:element minOccurs="1" maxOccurs="1" name="fieldNames" type="s:string" />
    </s:sequence>
  </s:complexType>
</s:element>
```

**systemInstance:** This element contains the name of the LobSystemInstance. The value is encoded as specified in [\[XML10\]](#). The protocol server **MUST** only match EntityInstances obtained from the specified **LobSystemInstance**.

**entity:** This element contains the name of the Entity. The value is encoded as specified in [\[XML10\]](#). The protocol server **MUST** only match **EntityInstances** of the specified **Entity**.

**valueToResolve:** This element contains the value to resolve to an **EntityInstance**. The value is encoded as specified in [\[XML10\]](#). The value is resolved to **EntityInstances** using an implementation-specific algorithm. For example, a specific implementation of a protocol server could resolve a given value of "ab" and **Entity** "Customer", by returning customers that have names starting with "ab". Another implementation of the protocol server could return customer whose names, last names, or addresses contain "ab".

**fieldNames:** This element contains the field (4) names associated with the **Entity**. Each field name is encoded as specified in [\[RFC3986\]](#). The field names are concatenated into a single string with a colon (:) between field names.

### 3.1.4.1.2.2 ResolveResponse

The **ResolveResponse** message contains the output data of a **Resolve** operation.

```
<s:element name="ResolveResponse">
  <s:complexType>
    <s:sequence>
      <s:element minOccurs="1" maxOccurs="1" name="ResolveResult" type="tns:ResolveResult" />
    </s:sequence>
  </s:complexType>
</s:element>
```

**ResolveResult:** This element contains the serialized **EntityInstanceId** element that is associated with the specified **EntityInstance** element, along with the list of name-value pairs for the fields (4) of the specified **Entity** and the status of the operation.

### 3.1.4.1.3 Complex Types

The following table summarizes the XML schema complex type definitions that are specific to this operation.

Complex type	Description
<b>ResolveResult</b>	A message containing the output data of a <b>Resolve</b> operation.
<b>IdentifierField</b>	An element containing the Identifier of the <b>EntityInstance</b> .
<b>ArrayOfFieldRecord</b>	An element containing an array of elements of type <b>FieldRecord</b> .
<b>FieldRecord</b>	An element containing the <b>Entity</b> field (4) name-value pair.

#### 3.1.4.1.3.1 ResolveResult

The **ResolveResult** message contains the output data of a **Resolve** operation.

```
<s:complexType name="ResolveResult">
  <s:sequence>
    <s:element minOccurs="0" maxOccurs="1" name="Identifier" type="tns:IdentifierField" />
    <s:element minOccurs="0" maxOccurs="1" name="Results" type="tns:ArrayOfFieldRecord" />
    <s:element minOccurs="1" maxOccurs="1" name="Status" type="tns:ResolveStatus" />
  </s:sequence>
</s:complexType>
```

**Identifier:** This element contains the **Identifier** of the **EntityInstance** found. If exactly one **EntityInstance** is not found, the value **MUST** be absent.

**Results:** This element contains the list of name-value pairs of the fields (4) of the specified **Entity** if the **fieldNames** element is not absent. If exactly one **EntityInstance** element is not found, the value **MUST** be absent.

**Status:** This element contains the status of the operation. This **ResolveStatus** element MUST be present. The protocol server MUST set this value as specified in section [3.1.4.1.4.1](#).

### 3.1.4.1.3.2 IdentifierField

The **IdentifierField** element contains the Identifier of the **EntityInstance**. If exactly one **EntityInstance** is not found, the value MUST be absent.

```
<s:complexType name="IdentifierField">
  <s:simpleContent>
    <s:extension base="s:string"/>
  </s:simpleContent>
</s:complexType>
```

### 3.1.4.1.3.3 ArrayOfFieldRecord

This **ArrayOfFieldRecord** element contains an array of elements of type **FieldRecord**, as specified in section [3.1.4.1.3.4](#).

```
<s:complexType name="ArrayOfFieldRecord">
  <s:sequence>
    <s:element name="FieldRecord" type="tns:FieldRecord" nillable="true" minOccurs="0"
      maxOccurs="unbounded"/>
  </s:sequence>
</s:complexType>
```

**FieldRecord:** This element contains the **Entity** field (4) name-value pair.

### 3.1.4.1.3.4 FieldRecord

The **FieldRecord** element contains the **Entity** field (4) name-value pair. The name of the field is contained in the **FieldName** attribute of the element and the value of the field is the value of the element.

```
<s:complexType name="FieldRecord">
  <s:simpleContent>
    <s:extension base="s:string">
      <s:attribute name="FieldName" type="s:string"/>
    </s:extension>
  </s:simpleContent>
</s:complexType>
```

**FieldName:** This attribute contains the name of the field (4). Each field (4) name is encoded as specified in [\[RFC3986\]](#).

### 3.1.4.1.4 Simple Types

The following table summarizes the XML schema simple type definitions that are specific to this operation.

Simple type	Description
<b>ResolveStatus</b>	An enumeration that specifies the status of the <b>Resolve</b> operation.

### 3.1.4.1.4.1 ResolveStatus

The **ResolveStatus** simple type specifies the enumeration of status of the **Resolve** operation, as specified in section [3.1.4.1](#).

```
<s:simpleType name="ResolveStatus">
  <s:restriction base="s:string">
    <s:enumeration value="NoMatch"/>
    <s:enumeration value="MultipleMatch"/>
    <s:enumeration value="UniqueMatch"/>
    <s:enumeration value="InvalidData"/>
  </s:restriction>
</s:simpleType>
```

The values for this enumeration are specified in the following table.

Value	Description
<b>NoMatch</b>	The protocol server MUST return this value when there are no <b>EntityInstances</b> were found.
<b>MultipleMatch</b>	The protocol server MUST return this value when more than one <b>EntityInstances</b> were found.
<b>UniqueMatch</b>	The protocol server MUST return this value when exactly one <b>EntityInstance</b> was found.
<b>InvalidData</b>	The protocol server MUST return this value when the operation has failed because input data is not valid or an implementation-specific error has occurred.

### 3.1.4.1.5 Attributes

None.

### 3.1.4.1.6 Groups

None.

### 3.1.4.1.7 Attribute Groups

None.

### 3.1.5 Timer Events

None.

### 3.1.6 Other Local Events

None.



## 4 Protocol Examples

### 4.1 Retrieving Field Values for LobSystem Entities

This scenario resolves the specified value to an **EntityInstance**. For this example, the protocol client is aware of the **LobSystemInstance** name, the Entity name, the value to resolve and the **Entity** field (4) names. The steps are as follows.

- The protocol client encodes and concatenates the **Entity** field (4) names using the colon (:) as a separator.

If the values of the fields **ProductKey**, **ProductName**, **Price** and **Color** are to be obtained, the client prepares a string of the form "ProductKey:ProductName:Price:Color"

1. The protocol client issues a **Resolve** request to the protocol server with the **LobSystemInstance** name, the **Entity** name, the value to resolve and the concatenated **Entity** field (4) names.

```
<soap:Envelope xmlns:soap="http://schemas.xmlsoap.org/soap/envelope/"
xmlns:xsi="http://www.w3.org/2001/XMLSchema-instance"
xmlns:xsd="http://www.w3.org/2001/XMLSchema"><soap:Body><Resolve
xmlns="http://microsoft.com/webservices/SharePointPortalServer/BDCClientWS/"><systemIn
stance>bdcdpExampleInstance</systemInstance><entity>Product</entity><valueToResolve>1<
/valueToResolve><fieldNames>ProductKey:ProductName:Price:Color</fieldNames></Resolve><
/soap:Body></soap:Envelope>
```

2. The protocol server responds with the status of the operation. If the **EntityInstance** is found, the protocol server also returns the specified **EntityInstance** and the name-value pairs for the fields (4).

```
"<soap:Envelope xmlns:soap="http://schemas.xmlsoap.org/soap/envelope/"
xmlns:xsi="http://www.w3.org/2001/XMLSchema-instance"
xmlns:xsd="http://www.w3.org/2001/XMLSchema"><soap:Body><ResolveResponse
xmlns="http://microsoft.com/webservices/SharePointPortalServer/BDCClientWS/"><ResolveR
esult><Identifier>__bg40001300</Identifier><Results><FieldRecord
FieldName="ProductKey">1</FieldRecord><FieldRecord
FieldName="ProductName">Bag</FieldRecord><FieldRecord
FieldName="Price">3.0000</FieldRecord><FieldRecord
FieldName="Color">Yellow</FieldRecord></Results><Status>UniqueMatch</Status></ResolveR
esult></ResolveResponse></soap:Body></soap:Envelope>
```

## **5 Security**

### **5.1 Security Considerations for Implementers**

None.

### **5.2 Index of Security Parameters**

None.

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## 6 Appendix A: Full WSDL

For ease of implementation, the following full WSDL is provided in this appendix:

```
<?xml version="1.0" encoding="utf-8"?>
<wsdl:definitions xmlns:soap="http://schemas.xmlsoap.org/wsdl/soap/"
xmlns:tm="http://microsoft.com/wsdl/mime/textMatching/"
xmlns:soapenc="http://schemas.xmlsoap.org/soap/encoding/"
xmlns:mime="http://schemas.xmlsoap.org/wsdl/mime/"
xmlns:tns="http://microsoft.com/webservices/SharePointPortalServer/BDCClientWS/"
xmlns:s="http://www.w3.org/2001/XMLSchema"
xmlns:soap12="http://schemas.xmlsoap.org/wsdl/soap12/"
xmlns:http="http://schemas.xmlsoap.org/wsdl/http/"
targetNamespace="http://microsoft.com/webservices/SharePointPortalServer/BDCClientWS/"
xmlns:wsdl="http://schemas.xmlsoap.org/wsdl/">
  <wsdl:documentation xmlns:wsdl="http://schemas.xmlsoap.org/wsdl/">BDC Field Resolver Web
Service for Clients</wsdl:documentation>
  <wsdl:types>
    <s:schema elementFormDefault="qualified"
targetNamespace="http://microsoft.com/webservices/SharePointPortalServer/BDCClientWS/">
      <s:element name="Resolve">
        <s:complexType>
          <s:sequence>
            <s:element minOccurs="1" maxOccurs="1" name="systemInstance"
type="s:string" />
            <s:element minOccurs="1" maxOccurs="1" name="entity" type="s:string" />
            <s:element minOccurs="1" maxOccurs="1" name="valueToResolve"
type="s:string" />
            <s:element minOccurs="1" maxOccurs="1" name="fieldNames" type="s:string" />
          </s:sequence>
        </s:complexType>
      </s:element>
      <s:element name="ResolveResponse">
        <s:complexType>
          <s:sequence>
            <s:element minOccurs="1" maxOccurs="1" name="ResolveResult"
type="tns:ResolveResult" />
          </s:sequence>
        </s:complexType>
      </s:element>
      <s:complexType name="ResolveResult">
        <s:sequence>
          <s:element minOccurs="0" maxOccurs="1" name="Identifier"
type="tns:IdentifierField" />
          <s:element minOccurs="0" maxOccurs="1" name="Results"
type="tns:ArrayOfFieldRecord" />
          <s:element minOccurs="1" maxOccurs="1" name="Status" type="tns:ResolveStatus"
/>
        </s:sequence>
      </s:complexType>
      <s:complexType name="IdentifierField">
        <s:simpleContent>
          <s:extension base="s:string" />
        </s:simpleContent>
      </s:complexType>
      <s:complexType name="ArrayOfFieldRecord">
        <s:sequence>
          <s:element minOccurs="0" maxOccurs="unbounded" name="FieldRecord"
nillable="true" type="tns:FieldRecord" />
        </s:sequence>
      </s:complexType>
    </s:schema>
  </wsdl:types>

```

```

    </s:complexType>
    <s:complexType name="FieldRecord">
      <s:simpleContent>
        <s:extension base="s:string">
          <s:attribute name="FieldName" type="s:string" />
        </s:extension>
      </s:simpleContent>
    </s:complexType>
    <s:simpleType name="ResolveStatus">
      <s:restriction base="s:string">
        <s:enumeration value="NoMatch" />
        <s:enumeration value="MultipleMatch" />
        <s:enumeration value="UniqueMatch" />
        <s:enumeration value="InvalidData" />
      </s:restriction>
    </s:simpleType>
  </s:schema>
</wsdl:types>
<wsdl:message name="ResolveSoapIn">
  <wsdl:part name="parameters" element="tns:Resolve" />
</wsdl:message>
<wsdl:message name="ResolveSoapOut">
  <wsdl:part name="parameters" element="tns:ResolveResponse" />
</wsdl:message>
<wsdl:portType name="BDCFieldsResolverSoap">
  <wsdl:operation name="Resolve">
    <wsdl:input message="tns:ResolveSoapIn" />
    <wsdl:output message="tns:ResolveSoapOut" />
  </wsdl:operation>
</wsdl:portType>
<wsdl:binding name="BDCFieldsResolverSoap" type="tns:BDCFieldsResolverSoap">
  <soap:binding transport="http://schemas.xmlsoap.org/soap/http" />
  <wsdl:operation name="Resolve">
    <soap:operation
      soapAction="http://microsoft.com/webservices/SharePointPortalServer/BDCClientWS/Resolve"
      style="document" />
    <wsdl:input>
      <soap:body use="literal" />
    </wsdl:input>
    <wsdl:output>
      <soap:body use="literal" />
    </wsdl:output>
  </wsdl:operation>
</wsdl:binding>
<wsdl:binding name="BDCFieldsResolverSoap12" type="tns:BDCFieldsResolverSoap">
  <soap12:binding transport="http://schemas.xmlsoap.org/soap/http" />
  <wsdl:operation name="Resolve">
    <soap12:operation
      soapAction="http://microsoft.com/webservices/SharePointPortalServer/BDCClientWS/Resolve"
      style="document" />
    <wsdl:input>
      <soap12:body use="literal" />
    </wsdl:input>
    <wsdl:output>
      <soap12:body use="literal" />
    </wsdl:output>
  </wsdl:operation>
</wsdl:binding>

```

</wsdl:definitions>

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## 7 Appendix B: Product Behavior

The information in this specification is applicable to the following Microsoft products or supplemental software. References to product versions include released service packs:

- Microsoft® Office SharePoint® Server 2007
- Microsoft® SharePoint® Server 2010
- Microsoft® SharePoint® Server 15 Technical Preview

Exceptions, if any, are noted below. If a service pack or Quick Fix Engineering (QFE) number appears with the product version, behavior changed in that service pack or QFE. The new behavior also applies to subsequent service packs of the product unless otherwise specified. If a product edition appears with the product version, behavior is different in that product edition.

Unless otherwise specified, any statement of optional behavior in this specification that is prescribed using the terms SHOULD or SHOULD NOT implies product behavior in accordance with the SHOULD or SHOULD NOT prescription. Unless otherwise specified, the term MAY implies that the product does not follow the prescription.

## 8 Change Tracking

This section identifies changes that were made to the [MS-BDCDP] protocol document between the June 2011 and January 2012 releases. Changes are classified as New, Major, Minor, Editorial, or No change.

The revision class **New** means that a new document is being released.

The revision class **Major** means that the technical content in the document was significantly revised. Major changes affect protocol interoperability or implementation. Examples of major changes are:

- A document revision that incorporates changes to interoperability requirements or functionality.
- An extensive rewrite, addition, or deletion of major portions of content.
- The removal of a document from the documentation set.
- Changes made for template compliance.

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Major and minor changes can be described further using the following change types:

- New content added.
- Content updated.
- Content removed.
- New product behavior note added.
- Product behavior note updated.
- Product behavior note removed.
- New protocol syntax added.
- Protocol syntax updated.
- Protocol syntax removed.
- New content added due to protocol revision.
- Content updated due to protocol revision.
- Content removed due to protocol revision.
- New protocol syntax added due to protocol revision.

- Protocol syntax updated due to protocol revision.
- Protocol syntax removed due to protocol revision.
- New content added for template compliance.
- Content updated for template compliance.
- Content removed for template compliance.
- Obsolete document removed.

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- **Protocol syntax** refers to data elements (such as packets, structures, enumerations, and methods) as well as interfaces.
- **Protocol revision** refers to changes made to a protocol that affect the bits that are sent over the wire.

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Section	Tracking number (if applicable) and description	Major change (Y or N)	Change type
<a href="#">2.2 Common Message Syntax</a>	Updated the term "common structures" to "common definitions".	N	Content updated.
<a href="#">2.2.2 Messages</a>	Added a sentence saying this specification does not define any common WSDL message definitions.	N	Content updated.
<a href="#">2.2.9 Common Data Structures</a>	Added the section.	N	New content added.
<a href="#">3.1.4.1.1 Messages</a>	Added a table that summarizes the set of WSDL message definitions.	N	New content added.
<a href="#">3.1.4.1.2 Elements</a>	Added a table that summarizes the XML schema element definitions.	N	New content added.
<a href="#">3.1.4.1.3 Complex Types</a>	Added a table that summarizes the XML schema complex type definitions.	N	New content added.
<a href="#">3.1.4.1.4 Simple Types</a>	Added a table that summarizes the XML schema simple type definitions.	N	New content added.
<a href="#">Z Appendix B: Product Behavior</a>	Updated the list of applicable product versions.	N	Content updated.
<a href="#">Z Appendix B: Product Behavior</a>	Updated the product list.	Y	Content updated.



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