

Ice-Communicator

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Overview

local interface Communicator

The central object in Ice. One or more communicators can be instantiated for an Ice application. Communicator instantiation is language-specific, and not specified in Slice code.

Used By

- [Freeze::Connection::getCommunicator](#)
- [Ice::ObjectAdapter::getCommunicator](#)
- [IceBox::Service::start](#)

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Operations

void destroy()

Destroy the communicator. This operation calls [shutdown](#) implicitly. Calling [destroy](#) cleans up memory, and shuts down this communicator's client functionality and destroys all object adapters. Subsequent calls to [destroy](#) are ignored.

See Also

- [shutdown](#)
- [Ice::ObjectAdapter::destroy](#)

void shutdown()

Shuts down this communicator's server functionality, which includes the deactivation of all object adapters. (Attempts to use a deactivated object adapter raise [Ice::ObjectAdapterDeactivatedException](#).) Subsequent calls to [shutdown](#) are ignored.

After [shutdown](#) returns, no new requests are processed. However, requests that have been started before [shutdown](#) was called might still be active. You can use [waitForShutdown](#) to wait for the completion of all requests.

See Also

- [destroy](#)
- [waitForShutdown](#)
- [Ice::ObjectAdapter::deactivate](#)

void waitForShutdown()

Wait until the application has called [shutdown](#) (or [destroy](#)). On the server side, this operation blocks the calling thread until all currently-executing operations have completed. On the client side, the operation simply block until another thread has called [shutdown](#) or [destroy](#).

A typical use of this operation is to call it from the main thread, which then waits until some other thread calls [shutdown](#). After shut-down is complete, the main thread returns and can do some cleanup work before it finally calls [destroy](#) to shut down the client functionality, and then exits the application.

See Also

- [shutdown](#)
- [destroy](#)
- [Ice::ObjectAdapter::waitForDeactivate](#)

bool isShutdown()

Check whether communicator has been shut down.

Return Value

True if the communicator has been shut down; false otherwise.

See Also

- [shutdown](#)

Object* stringToProxy(string str)

Convert a stringified proxy into a proxy. For example, `MyCategory/MyObject:tcp -h some_host -p 10000` creates a proxy that refers to the Ice object having an identity with a name "MyObject" and a category "MyCategory", with the server running on host "some_host", port 10000. If the stringified proxy does not parse correctly, the operation throws one of [Ice::ProxyParseException](#), [Ice::EndpointParseException](#), or [Ice::IdentityParseException](#). An appendix in the Ice manual provides a detailed description of the syntax supported by stringified proxies.

Parameters

`str` — The stringified proxy to convert into a proxy.

Return Value

The proxy, or nil if `str` is an empty string.

See Also

- [proxyToString](#)

string proxyToString(Object* obj)

Convert a proxy into a string.

Parameters

`obj` — The proxy to convert into a stringified proxy.

Return Value

The stringified proxy, or an empty string if `obj` is nil.

See Also

- [stringToProxy](#)

Object* propertyToProxy(string property)

Convert a set of proxy properties into a proxy. The "base" name supplied in the `property` argument refers to a property containing a stringified proxy, such as `MyProxy=id:tcp -h localhost -p 10000`. Additional properties configure local settings for the proxy, such as `MyProxy.PreferSecure=1`. The "Properties" appendix in the Ice manual describes each of the supported proxy properties.

Parameters

`property` — The base property name.

Return Value

The proxy.

Ice::PropertyDict proxyToProperty(Object* proxy, string property)

Convert a proxy to a set of proxy properties.

Parameters

`proxy` — The proxy.

`property` — The base property name.

Return Value

The property set.

Ice::Identity stringToIdentity(string str)

Convert a string into an identity. If the string does not parse correctly, the operation throws `Ice::IdentityParseException`.

Parameters

`str` — The string to convert into an identity.

Return Value

The identity.

See Also

- [identityToString](#)

string identityToString(Ice::Identity ident)

Convert an identity into a string.

Parameters

`ident` — The identity to convert into a string.

Return Value

The "stringified" identity.

See Also

- [stringToIdentity](#)

Ice::ObjectAdapter createObjectAdapter(string name)

Create a new object adapter. The endpoints for the object adapter are taken from the property `name.Endpoints`.

It is legal to create an object adapter with the empty string as its name. Such an object adapter is accessible via bidirectional connections or by collocated invocations that originate from the same communicator as is used by the adapter.

Attempts to create a named object adapter for which no configuration can be found raise [Ice::InitializationException](#).

Parameters

`name` — The object adapter name.

Return Value

The new object adapter.

See Also

- [createObjectAdapterWithEndpoints](#)
- [Ice::ObjectAdapter](#)
- [Ice::Properties](#)

Ice::ObjectAdapter createObjectAdapterWithEndpoints(string name, string endpoints)

Create a new object adapter with endpoints. This operation sets the property `name.Endpoints`, and then calls [createObjectAdapter](#). It is provided as a convenience function.

Calling this operation with an empty name will result in a UUID being generated for the name.

Parameters

`name` — The object adapter name.

`endpoints` — The endpoints for the object adapter.

Return Value

The new object adapter.

See Also

- [createObjectAdapter](#)
- [Ice::ObjectAdapter](#)
- [Ice::Properties](#)

Ice::ObjectAdapter createObjectAdapterWithRouter(string name, Ice::Router* rtr)

Create a new object adapter with a router. This operation creates a routed object adapter.

Calling this operation with an empty name will result in a UUID being generated for the name.

Parameters

`name` — The object adapter name.

`rtr` — The router.

Return Value

The new object adapter.

See Also

- [createObjectAdapter](#)
- [Ice::ObjectAdapter](#)
- [Ice::Properties](#)

void addObjectFactory(Ice::ObjectFactory factory, string id)

Add an object factory to this communicator. Installing a factory with an id for which a factory is already registered throws [Ice::AlreadyRegisteredException](#).

When unmarshaling an Ice object, the Ice run time reads the most-derived type id off the wire and attempts to create an instance of the type using a factory. If no instance is created, either because no factory was found, or because all factories returned nil, the behavior of the Ice run time depends on the format with which the object was marshaled:

If the object uses the "sliced" format, Ice ascends the class hierarchy until it finds a type that is recognized by a factory, or it reaches the least-derived type. If no factory is found that can create an instance, the run time throws [Ice::NoObjectFactoryException](#).

If the object uses the "compact" format, Ice immediately raises [Ice::NoObjectFactoryException](#).

The following order is used to locate a factory for a type:

1. The Ice run-time looks for a factory registered specifically for the type.
2. If no instance has been created, the Ice run-time looks for the default factory, which is registered with an empty type id.
3. If no instance has been created by any of the preceding steps, the Ice run-time looks for a factory that may have been statically generated by the language mapping for non-abstract classes.

Parameters

`factory` — The factory to add.

`id` — The type id for which the factory can create instances, or an empty string for the default factory.

See Also

- [findObjectFactory](#)
- [Ice::ObjectFactory](#)

[Ice::ObjectFactory](#) findObjectFactory(string id)

Find an object factory registered with this communicator.

Parameters

`id` — The type id for which the factory can create instances, or an empty string for the default factory.

Return Value

The object factory, or null if no object factory was found for the given id.

See Also

- [addObjectFactory](#)
- [Ice::ObjectFactory](#)

[Ice::ImplicitContext](#) getImplicitContext()

Get the implicit context associated with this communicator.

Return Value

The implicit context associated with this communicator; returns null when the property `Ice.ImplicitContext` is not set or is set to `None`.

[Ice::Properties](#) getProperties()

Get the properties for this communicator.

Return Value

This communicator's properties.

See Also

- [Ice::Properties](#)

[Ice::Logger](#) getLogger()

Get the logger for this communicator.

Return Value

This communicator's logger.

See Also

- [Ice::Logger](#)

Ice::Stats getStats()

Get the statistics callback object for this communicator.

Return Value

This communicator's statistics callback object.

See Also

- [Ice::Stats](#)

Ice::Instrumentation::CommunicatorObserver getObserver()

Get the observer resolver object for this communicator.

Return Value

This communicator's observer resolver object.

See Also

- [Ice::Stats](#)

Ice::Router* getDefaultRouter()

Get the default router this communicator.

Return Value

The default router for this communicator.

See Also

- [setDefaultRouter](#)
- [Ice::Router](#)

void setDefaultRouter(**Ice::Router*** rtr)

Set a default router for this communicator. All newly created proxies will use this default router. To disable the default router, null can be used. Note that this operation has no effect on existing proxies.

You can also set a router for an individual proxy by calling the operation `ice_router` on the proxy.

Parameters

rtr — The default router to use for this communicator.

See Also

- [getDefaultRouter](#)
- [createObjectAdapterWithRouter](#)
- [Ice::Router](#)

Ice::Locator* getDefaultLocator()

Get the default locator this communicator.

Return Value

The default locator for this communicator.

See Also

- [setDefaultLocator](#)
- [Ice::Locator](#)

void setDefaultLocator(**Ice::Locator*** loc)

Set a default Ice locator for this communicator. All newly created proxy and object adapters will use this default locator. To disable the default locator, null can be used. Note that this operation has no effect on existing proxies or object adapters.

You can also set a locator for an individual proxy by calling the operation `ice_locator` on the proxy, or for an object adapter by calling the operation `setLocator` on the object adapter.

Parameters

`loc` — The default locator to use for this communicator.

See Also

- [getDefaultLocator](#)
- [Ice::Locator](#)
- [Ice::ObjectAdapter::setLocator](#)

Ice::PluginManager `getPluginManager()`

Get the plug-in manager for this communicator.

Return Value

This communicator's plug-in manager.

See Also

- [Ice::PluginManager](#)

["async"] void flushBatchRequests()

Flush any pending batch requests for this communicator. This causes all batch requests that were sent via proxies obtained via this communicator to be sent to the server.

Object* getAdmin()

Get a proxy to the main facet of the Admin object. When `Ice.Admin.DelayCreation` is greater than 0, it is necessary to call `getAdmin()` after the communicator is initialized to create the Admin object. Otherwise, the Admin object is created automatically after all the plug-ins are initialized.

Return Value

The main ("") facet of the Admin object; a null proxy if no Admin object is configured.

void addAdminFacet(Object servant, string facet)

Add a new facet to the Admin object. Adding a servant with a facet that is already registered throws [Ice::AlreadyRegisteredException](#).

Parameters

`servant` — The servant that implements the new Admin facet.
`facet` — The name of the new Admin facet.

Object removeAdminFacet(string facet)

Remove the following facet to the Admin object. Removing a facet that was not previously registered throws [Ice::NotRegisteredException](#).

Parameters

`facet` — The name of the Admin facet.

Return Value

The servant associated with this Admin facet.

Object findAdminFacet(string facet)

Returns a facet of the Admin object.

Parameters

`facet` — The name of the Admin facet.

Return Value

The servant associated with this Admin facet, or null if no facet is registered with the given name.
