



## Recent Advances in Web Services

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Dear Colleagues,

The application of web services has arrived to a crossroad. Although SOAP/XML-based web services proved their value in enterprise applications, the arrival of cloud computing and a larger variety of applications, e.g. social networks, require also more agile services. REST/JSON-based web services are faster and simpler to use; however, they lack standards and their security appears weak. Reliability is another of their unclear aspects. We are looking for work that contributes to clarify the realms of application of both types of services and to define their strong and weak points with respect to different applications. Projections of their future use are of high interest. Discussions of other current issues of web services are also welcome.

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