

## 2 **Distributed Resource Management Application API Version 2** 3 **(DRMAA) - Draft 2**

### 4 **Status of This Document**

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6 (See footnote)<sup>1</sup>

### 7 **Obsoletes**

8 This document obsoletes GFD-R.022 [7], GFD-R-P.130 [9], and GWD-R.133 [8].

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### 14 **Abstract**

15 This document describes the *Distributed Resource Management Application API Version 2 (DRMAA)*, which  
16 provides a generalized API to *Distributed Resource Management (DRM)* systems in order to facilitate the  
17 development of portable application programs and high-level libraries for such systems. DRMAA defines  
18 interfaces for a tightly coupled, but still portable access by abstracting the fundamental functions available  
19 in the majority of DRM systems. The scope is limited to job submission, job control, and retrieval of job  
20 and machine monitoring information.

21 This document acts as root specification for the abstract API concepts and the behavioral rules that must be  
22 fulfilled by a DRMAA-compliant implementation. The programming language representation of the abstract  
23 API concepts must be formulated by a separate *language binding specification* derived from this document.

24 The intended audience for this specification are DRMAA language binding designers, DRM system vendors,  
25 high-level API designers and meta-scheduler architects. End users are expected to rely on product-specific  
26 documentation for the DRMAA API implementation in their particular programming language.

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<sup>1</sup> This is the non-normative annotated version of the specification with line numbers. It includes historical information concerning the content and why features were included or discarded by the working group. It also emphasizes the consequences of some aspects that may not be immediately apparent. This document is only intended for internal working group discussions.

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# 1 Introduction

This document describes the *Distributed Resource Management Application API Version 2 (DRMAA)* interface semantics in a generalized way by using the *OMG Interface Definition Language (IDL)* [4] syntax for a language-agnostic description. Based on this abstract specification, *language binding* standards have to be designed that map the described concepts into a library interface for a particular programming language (e.g. C, Java, Python). While this document has the responsibility to ensure consistent API semantics over all possible DRMAA implementations, the language binding has the responsibility to ensure source-code portability for DRMAA applications on different DRM systems.

An effort has been made to choose an API layout that is not unique to a specific language. However, in some cases, various languages disagree over some points. In those cases, the most meritorious approach was taken, irrespective of language.

There are other relevant OGF standards in the area of job submission and monitoring. An in-depth comparison and positioning of the obsoleted DRMAA1 specification was provided by another publication [10].

The DRMAA specification is based on the following stakeholders:

- *Distributed resource management system / DRM system / DRMS*: Any system that supports the concept of distributing computational jobs on execution resources through the help of a central scheduling entity. Examples are multi-processor systems controlled by a operating system scheduler, cluster systems with multiple machines controlled by a central scheduler software, grid systems, or cloud systems with a job concept.
- *DRMAA implementation, DRMAA library*: The implementation of a DRMAA language binding specification with the functional semantics described in this document. The resulting artifact is expected to be a library that is deployed together with the DRM system that is wrapped by the particular implementation.
- *(DRMAA-based) application*: Software that utilizes the DRMAA implementation for gaining access to one or multiple DRM systems in a standardized way.
- *Submission host*: A execution resource in the DRM system that runs the DRMAA-based application.
- *Execution host*: A execution resource in the DRM system that can run a job submitted through the DRMAA implementation.

## 1.1 Notational Conventions

In this document, IDL language elements and definitions are represented in a **fixed-width** font.

The key words “MUST”, “MUST NOT”, “REQUIRED”, “SHALL”, “SHALL NOT”, “SHOULD”, “SHOULD NOT”, “RECOMMENDED”, “MAY”, and “OPTIONAL” are to be interpreted as described in RFC 2119 [1].

Memory quantities are expressed in *kibibyte (KiB)*, the unit established by the International Electrotechnical Commission (IEC) in 1999. 1 kibibyte equals 1024 bytes.

Parts of the specification which are normative for derived language binding specifications only are graphically marked as shaded box.

## 1.2 Language Bindings

A language binding specification derived from this document **MUST** define a mapping between the IDL constructs and specific programming language constructs, with focus on source code portability for the resulting DRMAA-based applications.

A language binding **SHOULD NOT** rely completely on the OMG language mapping standards available for many programming languages, since they have a huge overhead of irrelevant CORBA-related mapping rules. Therefore, language binding authors must carefully decide if a binding decision reflects a natural and simple mapping of the intended purpose for the DRMAA interfaces. The binding **SHOULD** reuse OMG value type mappings (e.g. IDL `long` to Java `long`), and **SHOULD** define custom mappings for the other types. The language binding **MUST** use the described concept mapping in a consistent manner for its overall API layout.

Due to the usage of IDL, all method groups for a particular purpose (e.g. job control) are described in terms of interfaces, and not classes. The mapping to a class concept depends on the specific language-mapping rules.

It may be the case that IDL constructs do not map directly to any language construct. In this case it **MUST** be ensured that the chosen mapping retains the intended semantic of the DRMAA interface definition.

Access to scalar attributes (`string`, `boolean`, `long`) **MUST** operate in a pass-by-value mode. A language binding must ensure that this behavior is always fulfilled. For non-scalar attributes, the language binding **MUST** specify a consistent access strategy for all these attributes – either pass-by-value or pass-by-reference – according to the use cases of language binding implementations.

This specification tries to consider the possibility of a Remote Procedure Call (RPC) scenario in a DRMAA-conformant language mapping. It **SHOULD** therefore be ensured that the programming language type for an IDL `struct` definition supports the serialization and comparison of instances. These capabilities should be accomplished through whatever mechanism is most natural for the specific programming language.

A language binding **MUST** define a way to declare an invalid value (**UNSET**). In case, a definition per data type needs to be provided. The **UNSET** value for a boolean data type **MUST** translate to **False**.

Unclear if  
UNSET for  
numeric val-  
ues could be  
zero.

(See footnote)<sup>2</sup>

## 1.3 Slots and Queues

DRMAA supports the notion of slots and queues as resources of a DRM system. A DRMAA application can request them in advance reservation and job submission. However, slots and queues **SHALL** be opaque concepts from the viewpoint of a DRMAA implementation, meaning that the requirements given by the application are just passed through to the DRM system. This is reasoned by the large variation in interpreting that concepts in the different DRM systems, which makes it impossible to define a common understanding on the level of the DRMAA API.

<sup>2</sup> The concept of a **UNSET** value was decided on a conf call (Aug 25th 2010). Boolean in C should use custom enumeration (TRUE, FALSE, INVALID) or pointer to static values. A numerical **UNSET** in C should use a magic number, since all long attributes are unsigned, it could be MIN\_INT. With Python, just use **None**. For Java, Dan has an idea.

111 (See footnote)<sup>3</sup>

## 112 1.4 Multithreading

113 High-level APIs such as SAGA [3] are expected to utilize DRMAA for asynchronous operations, based on the  
 114 assumption that re-entrancy is supported by DRMAA implementations. For this reason, implementations  
 115 SHOULD ensure the proper functioning of the library in case of re-entrant library calls. A DRMAA library  
 116 SHOULD allow a multithreaded application to use DRMAA interfaces without any explicit synchronization  
 117 among the application threads. DRMAA implementers should document their work as thread safe if they  
 118 meet the above criteria. Providers of non-thread-safe DRMAA implementations should document all the  
 119 interfaces that are thread unsafe and provide a list of interfaces and their dependencies on external thread  
 120 unsafe routines.

## 121 2 Namespace

122 The DRMAA interfaces and structures are encapsulated by a naming scope, which avoids conflicts with  
 123 other APIs used in the same application.

124 `module DRMAA2 {`

Language binding authors MUST map the IDL module encapsulation to an according package or namespace concept and MAY change the module name according to programming language conventions.

125 (See footnote)<sup>4</sup>

## 126 3 Common Type Definitions

127 The DRMAA specification defines some custom types to express special value semantics not expressible in  
 128 IDL.

```
129     typedef sequence<string> OrderedStringList;
130     typedef sequence<string> StringList;
131     typedef sequence<Job> JobList;
132     typedef sequence<Queue> QueueList;
133     typedef sequence<Machine> MachineList;
134     typedef sequence<Reservation> ReservationList;
135     typedef sequence< sequence<string,2> > Dictionary;
136     typedef string AbsoluteTime;
137     typedef long long TimeAmount;
138     native ZERO_TIME;
139     native INFINITE_TIME;
```

140 **OrderedStringList:** An unbounded list of strings, which supports element insertion, element deletion, and  
 141 iteration over elements while keeping an element order.

<sup>3</sup> As one example, queues can be either treated as representation of execution hosts (Sun Grid Engine) or as central waiting line located at the scheduler (LSF).

<sup>4</sup> Comparison to DRMAA v1.0: The IDL module name was change to DRMAA2, in order to intentionally break backward compatibility of the interface.

**StringList:** An unbounded list of strings, without any demand on element order.

**JobList:** An unbounded list of **Job** instances, without any demand on element order.

**MachineList:** An unbounded list of **Machine** instances, without any demand on element order.

**QueueList:** An unbounded list of **Queue** instances, without any demand on element order.

**ReservationList:** An unbounded list of **Reservation** instances, without any demand on element order.

**Dictionary:** An unbounded dictionary type for storing key-value pairs, without any demand on element order.

**AbsoluteTime:** Expression of a point in time, with a resolution at least to seconds.

**TimeAmount:** Expression of an amount of time, with a resolution at least to seconds.

**ZERO\_TIME:** A constant value of type **TimeAmount** that expresses a zero amount of time.

**INFINITE\_TIME:** A constant value of type **TimeAmount** that expresses an infinite amount of time.

A language binding MUST replace these type definitions with semantically equal reference or value types in the according language. This may include the creation of new complex language types for one or more of the above concepts. The language binding MUST define a consistent mapping on module level, and a mechanism for obtaining the RFC822 string representation from a given **AbsoluteTime** or **TimeAmount** instance.

(See footnote)<sup>5</sup>

## 4 Common Data Structures and Enumerations

DRMAA defines a set of data structures commonly used by different interfaces to express information for and from the DRM system. A DRMAA implementation is allowed to extend the specified structures, if explicitly noted in the description of the particular structure (e.g. as with **JobInfo**). Behavioral aspects of such extended attributes are out of scope for DRMAA. Implementations SHALL only extend data structures in the way specified by the language binding.

A language binding MUST define a consistent mechanism to realize implementation-specific structure and enumeration extension, without breaking the portability of DRMAA-based applications that rely on the original version of the structure. Object oriented languages MAY use inheritance mechanisms for this purpose.

Language bindings SHOULD define numerical values for all constants and enumeration members, in order to foster binary portability of DRMAA-based applications. Instances of these structures SHALL be treated in a “call-by-value” fashion, meaning that the collection of struct member values is handed over as one to the called interface method.

(See footnote)<sup>6</sup>

<sup>5</sup> The PartialTimestamp functionality from DRMAA 1.0 was completely removed. Absolute date and time values are now expressed as RFC822 conformant data items with stringification support (conf. call Mar 31st 2009). String list for job identifiers are replaced by Job object lists (F2F meeting July 2009)

<sup>6</sup> Comparison to DRMAA 1.0: The binding of job template attribute names and exception names to strings was removed. Language bindings have to define their own mapping, if needed.

## 4.1 OperatingSystem enumeration

DRMAA supports the identification of an operating system installation on execution resources in the DRM system. The `OperatingSystem` enumeration is used as data type both in the advanced reservation and the DRM system monitoring functionalities. It defines a set of standardized identifiers for operating system types. The list is a shortened version of the according CIM Schema [6]. It includes only operating systems that are supported by the majority of DRM systems available at the time of writing:

```
enum OperatingSystem {
    HPUX, LINUX, IRIX, TRUE64, MACOS, SUNOS, WIN, WINNT, AIX, UNIXWARE,
    BSD, OTHER_OS};
```

**AIX:** AIX Unix by IBM.

**BSD:** All operating system distributions based on the BSD kernel.

**LINUX:** All operating system distributions based on the Linux kernel.

**HPUX:** HP-UX Unix by Hewlett-Packard.

**IRIX:** The IRIX operating system by SGI.

**MACOS:** The MAC OS X operating system by Apple.

**SUNOS:** SunOS or Solaris operating system by Sun / Oracle.

**TRUE64:** True64 Unix by Hewlett-Packard, or DEC Digital Unix, or DEC OSF/1 AXP.

**UNIXWARE:** UnixWare system by SCO group.

**WIN:** Windows 95, Windows 98, Windows ME.

**WINNT:** Microsoft Windows operating systems based on the NT kernel

**OTHER\_OS:** An operating system type not specified in this list.

Implementations SHOULD NOT add new operating system identifiers to this enumeration, even if they are supported by the underlying DRM system.

The operating system information is only useful in conjunction with version information (see Section 9.1), which is also the reporting approach taken in most DRM systems. Examples:

- The Apple MacOS X operating system commonly denoted as “Snow Leopard” would be reported as “MACOS” with the version structure [“10”, “6”]
- The Microsoft Windows 7 operating system would be reported as “WINNT” with the version information [“6”, “1”], which is the internal version number reported by the Windows API.
- All Linux distributions would be reported as operating system type “LINUX” with the major revision of the kernel, such as [“2”, “6”].
- The Solaris operating system is reported as “SUNOS”, together with the internal version number, e.g. [“5”, “10”] for Solaris 10.

The DRMAA `OperatingSystem` enumeration can be mapped to other high-level APIs. Table 1 gives a non-normative set of examples.

Daniel Katz  
would like  
to add Cray  
here.

DRMAA <code>OperatingSystem</code> value	JSDL <code>jsdl:OperatingSystemTypeEnumeration</code> value
HPUX	HPUX
LINUX	LINUX
IRIX	IRIX
TRUE64	Tru64.UNIX, OSF
MACOS	MACOS
SUNOS	SunOS, SOLARIS
WIN	WIN95, WIN98, Windows_R_Me
WINNT	WINNT, Windows_2000, Windows_XP
AIX	AIX
UNIXWARE	SCO_UnixWare, SCO_OpenServer
BSD	BSDUNIX, FreeBSD, NetBSD, OpenBSD
OTHER_OS	Other

Table 1: Mapping example for the DRMAA `OperatingSystem` enumeration

## 4.2 CpuArchitecture enumeration

DRMAA supports identifying the processor instruction set architecture on execution resources in the DRM system. The `CpuArchitecture` enumeration is used as data type both in the advanced reservation and the DRM system monitoring functionalities. It defines a set of standardized identifiers for processor architecture families. The list is a shortened version of the according CIM Schema [6], It includes only processor families that are supported by the majority of DRM systems available at the time of writing:

```
enum CpuArchitecture {
    ALPHA, ARM, CELL, PARISC, X86, X64, IA64, MIPS, PPC, PPC64,
    SPARC, SPARC64, OTHER_CPU};
```

**ALPHA:** The DEC Alpha / Alpha AXP processor architecture.

**ARM:** The ARM processor architecture.

**CELL:** The Cell processor architecture.

**PA-RISC:** The PA-RISC processor architecture.

**X86:** The IA-32 line of the X86 processor architecture family, with 32bit support only.

**X64:** The X86-64 line of the X86 processor architecture family, with 64bit support.

**IA-64:** The Itanium processor architecture.

**MIPS:** The MIPS processor architecture.

**PPC:** The PowerPC processor architecture, all models with 32bit support only.

**PPC64:** The PowerPC processor architecture, all models with 64bit support.

**SPARC:** The SPARC processor architecture, all models with 32bit support only.

**SPARC64:** The SPARC processor architecture, all models with 64bit support.

**OTHER\_CPU:** A processor architecture not specified in this list.



The DRMAA `CpuArchitecture` enumeration can be mapped to other high-level APIs. Table 2 gives a non-normative set of examples.

The reporting and job configuration for processor architectures SHOULD operate on a “as-is” base, if supported by the DRM system. This means that the reported architecture should reflect the current operation mode of the processor with the running operating system. For example, X64 processors executing a 32-bit operating system typically report themselves as X86 processor.

DRMAA <code>CpuArchitecture</code> value	JSDL <code>jsdl:ProcessorArchitectureEnumeration</code> value
ALPHA	other
ARM	arm
CELL	other
PA-RISC	parisc
X86	x86_32
X64	x86_64
IA-64	ia64
MIPS	mips
PPC	powerpc
PPC64	powerpc
SPARC	sparc
SPARC64	sparc
OTHER	other

Table 2: Mapping example for DRMAA `CpuArchitecture` enumeration

### 4.3 ResourceLimitType enumeration

Modern DRM systems expose resource constraint capabilities from the operating system for jobs on the execution host. The `ResourceLimitType` enumeration represents the typical *ulimit(3)* parameters [5] in different DRM systems. All parameters relate to the operating system process representing some job on the execution host.

```
enum ResourceLimitType {
    CORE_FILE_SIZE, CPU_TIME, DATA_SEG_SIZE, FILE_SIZE, OPEN_FILES,
    STACK_SIZE, VIRTUAL_MEMORY, WALLCLOCK_TIME };
```

**CORE\_FILE\_SIZE:** The maximum size of the core dump file created on fatal errors of the process, in Kibibyte. Setting this value to zero SHOULD disable the creation of core dump files on the execution host.

**CPU\_TIME:** The maximum accumulated time in seconds the process is allowed to perform computations on all processors in the execution host.

**DATA\_SEG\_SIZE:** The maximum amount of memory the process can allocate on the heap e.g. for object creation, in Kibibyte.

**FILE\_SIZE:** The maximum file size the process can generate, in Kibibyte.

**OPEN\_FILES:** The maximum number of file descriptors the process is allowed to have open at the same time.

**STACK\_SIZE:** The maximum amount of memory the process can allocate on the stack, e.g. for local variables, in Kibibyte.

**VIRTUAL\_MEMORY:** The maximum amount of memory the process is allowed to allocate, in Kibibyte.

**WALLCLOCK\_TIME:** The maximum wall clock time in seconds the job is allowed to exist in any of the “Started” or “Queued” states (see Section 7.1).

(See footnote)<sup>7</sup>

#### 4.4 JobTemplatePlaceholder enumeration

The `JobTemplatePlaceholder` enumeration defines constant macros to be used in string attributes of a `JobTemplate` instance.

```
enum JobTemplatePlaceholder {
    HOME_DIRECTORY, WORKING_DIRECTORY, HOST_NAME, USER_NAME, PARAMETRIC_INDEX };
```

A `HOME_DIRECTORY` placeholder SHOULD be only allowed at the beginning of a `JobTemplate` attribute value. It denotes the remaining portion as a directory / file path resolved relative to the job users home directory at the execution host.

A `WORKING_DIRECTORY` placeholder SHOULD be only allowed at the beginning of a `JobTemplate` attribute value. It denotes the remaining portion as a directory / file path resolved relative to the jobs working directory at the execution host.

The `HOST_NAME` placeholder SHOULD be usable at any position within an attribute value that supports place holders. It SHALL be substituted by the full-qualified name of the execution host were the job is executed.

The `USER_NAME` placeholder SHOULD be usable at any position within an attribute value that supports place holders. It SHALL be substituted by the job users account name on the execution host.

The `PARAMETRIC_INDEX` placeholder SHOULD be usable at any position within an attribute value that supports place holders. It SHALL be substituted by the parametric job index in a `JobSession::runBulkJobs` call (see Section 7.2.6). If the job template is used for a `JobSession::runJob` call, `PARAMETRIC_INDEX` should be substituted with a constant implementation-specific value.

(See footnote)<sup>8</sup>

#### 4.5 Queue structure

The `Queue` structure denotes a job waiting queue in the DRM system. Queue is an opaque concept from the perspective of the DRMAA application (see Section 1.3). The `Queue` struct contains read-only information. Implementations MAY extend this structure with implementation-specific attributes.

<sup>7</sup> “Pipe size” was not added, since there is no use case in DRM systems with a job concept. “Max user processes” was omitted because it operates on the notion of users, which is not an explicit concept in DRMAA.

<sup>8</sup> Placeholders for other job template attributes were rejected, in order to avoid circular dependencies (Conf. call Oct 20th 2010)

Explanations.  
need approval  
by the group.  
Does WALL-  
CLOCK\_TIME  
also include  
queued time  
? (Daniel  
Katz: no)

Daniel Katz  
- Are there  
systems that  
have a wall-  
clock time  
limit in their  
schedulers?

```

275     struct Queue {
276         string name;
277         TimeAmount maxWallclockTime;
278     };

```

#### 279 4.5.1 name

280 This attribute contains the name of the queue as reported by the DRM system. The format of the queue  
 281 name is implementation-specific. The naming scheme **SHOULD** be consistent for all strings returned.

#### 282 4.5.2 maxWallclockTime

283 This attribute contains the maximum amount of wallclock time allowed for jobs submitted to the queue.  
 284 The attribute value is **UNSET** when there is no restriction. If this value is not **UNSET**, then any job submitted  
 285 to this queue **SHOULD** enter one of the “Terminated” states when the wallclock time limit is reached.

Termination  
condition  
must be ap-  
proved by the  
group

### 287 4.6 Version structure

288 The **Version** structure denotes versioning information for an operating system, DRM system, or DRMAA  
 289 implementation.

```

290     struct Version {
291         string major;
292         string minor;
293     };

```

294 Both the **major** and the **minor** part are expressed as strings, in order to allow specific extensions with  
 295 character combinations such as “rev”. Original version strings containing a dot, e.g. Linux “2.6”, **SHOULD**  
 296 be interpreted as having the major part before the dot, and the minor part after the dot. The dot character  
 297 **SHOULD NOT** be added to the **Version** attributes.

### 298 4.7 Machine structure

299 The **Machine** structure describes the properties of a particular execution host in the DRM system. Im-  
 300 plementations **MAY** extend this structure with implementation-specific additional information. It contains  
 301 read-only information. An implementation or its DRM system **MAY** restrict jobs in their resource utilization  
 302 even below the limits described in the **Machine** structure. The limits given here **MAY** be imposed by the  
 303 hardware configuration, or **MAY** be imposed by DRM system policies.

```

304     struct Machine {
305         string name;
306         long sockets;
307         long coresPerSocket;
308         long threadsPerCore;
309         double load;
310         long physMemory;
311         long virtMemory;

```

```
312     OperatingSystem machineOS;  
313     Version machineOSVersion;  
314     CpuArchitecture machineArch;  
315 };
```

#### 316 4.7.1 name

317 This attribute describes the name of the machine as reported by the DRM system. The format of the  
318 machine name is implementation-specific, but MAY be a DNS host name. The naming scheme SHOULD be  
319 consistent for all strings returned.

#### 320 4.7.2 sockets

321 This attribute describes the number of processor sockets (CPUs) usable for jobs on the machine from oper-  
322 ating system perspective. The attribute value MUST be greater than 0. In the case where the correct value  
323 is unknown to the implementation, the value MUST be set to 1.

#### 324 4.7.3 coresPerSocket

325 This attribute describes the number of cores per socket usable for jobs on the machine from operating system  
326 perspective. The attribute value MUST be greater than 0. In case where the correct value is unknown to  
327 the implementation, the value MUST be set to 1.

#### 328 4.7.4 threadsPerCore

329 This attribute describes the number of threads that can be executed in parallel by a job on one core in the  
330 machine. The attribute value MUST be greater than 0. In case where the correct value is unknown to the  
331 implementation, the value MUST be set to 1.

#### 332 4.7.5 load

333 This attributes describes the 1-minute average load on the given machine, similar to the Unix *uptime* com-  
334 mand. The value has only informative character, and should not be utilized by end user applications for job  
335 scheduling purposes. An implementation MAY provide delayed or averaged data here, if necessary due to  
336 implementation issues. The implementation strategy on non-Unix systems is undefined.

#### 337 4.7.6 physMemory

338 This attribute describes the amount of physical memory in Kibibyte available on the machine.

#### 339 4.7.7 virtMemory

340 This attribute describes the amount of virtual memory in Kibibyte available for a job executing on this  
341 machine. The virtual memory amount is defined as the sum of physical memory installed plus the configured  
342 swap space for the operating system. The value is expected to be used as indicator whether or not an  
343 application is able to get its memory allocation needs fulfilled on a particular machine. Implementations  
344 SHOULD derive this value directly from operating system information, without further consideration of  
345 additional memory allocation restrictions such as address space range or already running processes.

#### 4.7.8 machineOS

This attribute describes the operating system installed on the described machine, with semantics as specified in Section 4.1.

#### 4.7.9 machineOSVersion

This attribute describes the operating system version of the machine, with semantics as specified in Section 4.1.

#### 4.7.10 machineArch

This attribute describes the instruction set architecture of the machine, with semantics as specified in Section 4.2.

### 4.8 JobInfo structure

The `JobInfo` structure describes job information that is available for the DRMAA-based application.

```
struct JobInfo {
    string jobId;
    Dictionary resourceUsage;
    long exitStatus;
    string terminatingSignal;
    string annotation;
    JobState jobState;
    any jobSubState;
    OrderedStringList allocatedMachines;
    string submissionMachine;
    string jobOwner;
    string queueName;
    TimeAmount wallclockTime;
    long cpuTime;
    AbsoluteTime submissionTime;
    AbsoluteTime dispatchTime;
    AbsoluteTime finishTime;};
```

The structure is used in two occasions - first for the expression of information about a single job, and second as filter expression when retrieving a list of jobs from the DRMAA implementation.

In both usage scenarios, the structure information has to be understood as snapshot of the live DRM system. Multiple values being set in one structure instance should be interpreted as “occurring at the same time”. In real implementations, some granularity limits must be assumed - for example, the `wallclockTime` and the `cpuTime` attributes might hold values that were measured with a very small delay one after each other.

In the use case of job information monitoring, it is assumed that the DRM system has three job information states: running, buffered, purged. Only information for jobs that are still running or are still held in the buffer of finished job information will be reported completely. In this case, the information SHOULD reflect the current status of the job as as close as possible to the time of the call.

If jobs have been purged out to accounting, different attributes might not contain valid data. Implementations MAY decide to return only partially filled `JobInfo` instances due to performance restrictions in the communication with the DRM system.

For additional DRMS-specific information, the `JobInfo` structure MAY be extended by the DRMAA implementation (see Section 4).

(See footnote)<sup>9</sup>

#### 4.8.1 `jobId`

For monitoring: Returns the stringified job identifier assigned to the job by the DRM system.

For filtering: Returns the job with the chosen job identifier.

#### 4.8.2 `resourceUsage`

For monitoring: Returns resource consumption information for the given job. The dictionary keys are implementation-specific.

For filtering: Returns the jobs that have the dictionary key-value pairs as subset of their own.

Standardize  
resource  
usage key  
names ??

#### 4.8.3 `exitStatus`

For monitoring: The process exit status of the job, as reported by the operating system. If the job is not in one of the terminated states, the value should be `UNSET`.

For filtering: Return the jobs with the given `exitStatus` value. Jobs without exit status information should be filtered out by asking for the appropriate states.

#### 4.8.4 `terminatingSignal`

For monitoring: This attribute specifies the UNIX signal that reasoned the end of the job. Implementations should document the extent to which they can gather such information in the particular DRM system (e.g. with Windows hosts).

For filtering: Returns the jobs with the given `terminatingSignal` value.

#### 4.8.5 `annotation`

For monitoring: Gives a human-readable annotation describing why the job is in its current state or sub-state. The support for this information is optional.

For filtering: This attribute is ignored for filtering.

<sup>9</sup> In comparison to DRMAA 1.0, the `JobInfo` value type was heavily extended for providing more information (solves issue #2827). `JobInfo::hasCoreDump` is no longer supported, since the information is useless without according core file staging support, which is not implementable in a portable way. (conf. call Jun 9th 2010)

Some DRM systems (SGE / Condor at least) support the automated modification of job template attributes after submission, and therefore allow to fetch the true job template attributes at run-time from the job. The monitoring for such data was intentionally not included in DRMAA (mailing list July 2010).

#### 4.8.6 jobState

For monitoring: This attribute specifies the jobs current state according to the DRMAA job state model (see Section 7.1).

For filtering: Returns all jobs in the specified state. If the given state is simulated by the implementation (see Section 7.1), the implementation SHOULD raise an `InvalidArgumentException` explaining that this filter can never match.

#### 4.8.7 jobSubState

For monitoring: This attribute specifies the jobs current DRMAA implementation specific sub-state (see Section 7.1).

For filtering: Returns all jobs in the specified sub-state. If the given sub-state is not supported by the implementation (see Section 7.1), the implementation SHOULD raise an `InvalidArgumentException` explaining that this filter can never match.

#### 4.8.8 allocatedMachines

This attribute expresses the set of machines that are utilized for job execution. Implementations MAY decide to give the ordering of machine names a particular meaning, for example putting the master node in a parallel job at first position. This decision should be documented for the user. For performance reasons, only the machine names are returned, and SHOULD be equal to the according `Machine::name` attribute in monitoring data.

For monitoring: This attribute lists the set of names of the machines to which this job has been assigned.

For filtering: Returns the list of jobs which have a set of assigned machines that is a superset of the given set of machines.

#### 4.8.9 submissionMachine

This attribute provides the machine name of the submission host for this job. For performance reasons, only the machine name is returned, and SHOULD be equal to the according `Machine::name` attribute in monitoring data.

For monitoring: This attribute specifies the machine from which this job was submitted.

For filtering: Returns the set of jobs that were submitted from the specified machine.

#### 4.8.10 jobOwner

For monitoring: This attribute specifies the job owner as reported by the DRM system.

For filtering: Returns all jobs owned by the specified user.

#### 4.8.11 queueName

For monitoring: This attribute specifies the queue in which the job was queued or started (see Section 1.3).

For filtering: Returns all jobs that were queued or started in the specified queue.

#### 4.8.12 wallclockTime

For monitoring: Accumulated time the job spent in “Queued” or “Started” states . Implementations MAY determine this value by subtracting the current time or `finishTime` by the `dispatchTime` of the job.

For filtering: Returns all jobs that have consumed at least the specified amount of wall clock time.

#### 4.8.13 cpuTime

For monitoring: This attribute specifies the amount of CPU time consumed by the job. This value includes only time the job spent in `JobState::RUNNING` (see Section 7.1).

For filtering: Returns all jobs that have consumed at least the specified amount of CPU time.

#### 4.8.14 submissionTime

For monitoring: This attribute specifies the time at which the job was submitted. Implementations SHOULD use the submission time recorded by the DRM system, if available.

For filtering: Returns all jobs that were submitted at or after the specified submission time.

#### 4.8.15 dispatchTime

For monitoring: The time the job first entered a “Started” state (see Section 7.1). On job restart or re-scheduling, this value does not change.

For filtering: Returns all jobs that entered a “Started” state at, or after the specified dispatch time.

#### 4.8.16 finishTime

For monitoring: The time the job first entered a “Terminated” state (see Section 7.1).

For filtering: Returns all jobs that entered a “Terminated” state at or after the specified finish time.

Same discussion as above

Resolve how to report slot assignments for jobs

## 5 Common Exceptions

The exception model specific error information that can be returned by a DRMAA implementation on method calls.

```
exception DeniedByDrmException {string message;};
exception DrmCommunicationException {string message;};
exception TryLaterException {string message;};
exception SessionManagementException {string message;};
exception TimeoutException {string message;};
exception InternalException {string message;};
exception InvalidArgumentException {string message;};
exception InvalidSessionException {string message;};
exception InvalidStateException {string message;};
exception OutOfMemoryException {string message;};
exception UnsupportedAttributeException {string message;};
```



```
479     exception UnsupportedOperationException {string message;};
```

480 If not defined otherwise, the exceptions have the following meaning:

481 **DeniedByDrmException:** The DRM system rejected the operation due to security issues.

482 **DrmCommunicationException:** The DRMAA implementation could not contact the DRM system. The  
483 problem source is unknown to the implementation, so it is unknown if the problem is transient or not.

484 **TryLaterException:** The DRMAA implementation detected a transient problem with performing the  
485 operation, for example due to excessive load. The application is recommended to retry the call.

486 **SessionManagementException:** A problem was encountered while trying to create / open / close /  
487 destroy a session.

488 **TimeoutException:** The timeout given in one the waiting functions was reached without successfully  
489 finishing the waiting attempt.

490 **InternalException:** An unexpected or internal error occurred in the DRMAA library, for example a system  
491 call failure. It is unknown if the problem is transient or not.

492 **InvalidArgumentException:** From the viewpoint of the DRMAA library, a function parameter is invalid  
493 or inappropriate for the particular function call.

494 **InvalidSessionException:** The session used for the function is not valid, for example since it was closed  
495 before.

496 **InvalidStateException:** The function call is not allowed in the current state of the job.

497 **OutOfMemoryException:** This exception can be thrown by any method at any time when the DRMAA  
498 implementation has run out of free memory.

499 **UnsupportedAttributeException:** The optional attribute is not supported by the DRMAA implemen-  
500 tation.

501 **UnsupportedOperationException:** The function is not supported by the DRMAA implementation. One  
502 example is the registration of an event callback function.

503 .

We might want to introduce `InvalidTempl` for separating input parameter issues

The DRMAA specification assumes that programming languages targeted by language bindings typically

support the concept of exceptions. If a destination language does not support them (like ANSI C), the language binding specification SHOULD map error conditions to an appropriate consistent concept. A language binding MAY choose to model exceptions as numeric error code return values, and return values as additional output parameters of the operation. In this case, the language binding specification SHOULD specify numeric values for all DRMAA error constants.

The representation of exceptions in the language binding MUST support a possibility to express an exception cause as textual description. Implementations MAY use this text to express DRMS-specific error conditions that are outside of the DRMAA scope.

Object-oriented language bindings MAY decide to derive all exceptions from one or multiple exception base classes, in order to support generic catch clauses. Whenever it is appropriate, language bindings SHOULD replace DRMAA exceptions by their semantically equivalent native exception from the application runtime environment.

Language bindings MAY decide to introduce a hierarchical ordering of the DRMAA exceptions through class derivation. In this case, any new exceptions added for aggregation purposes SHOULD be prevented from being thrown, for example by marking them as abstract.

The `UnsupportedAttributeException` may either be raised by the setter function for the attribute or by the job submission function. A consistent decision for either one or the other approach MUST be made by the language binding specification.

504 (See footnote)<sup>10</sup>

## 505 6 The DRMAA Session Concept

506 DRMAA relies on an overall session concept, which supports the persistency of job and advance reservation  
507 information over multiple application runs. This supports short-lived applications that need to work with  
508 DRM system state spanning multiple application runs. Typical examples are job submission portals or  
509 command-line tools. The session concept is also intended to allow implementations to perform DRM system  
510 attach / detach operations at dedicated points in the application control flow.

### 511 6.1 SessionManager Interface

```
512 interface SessionManager{
513     readonly attribute string drmsName;
514     readonly attribute Version drmaaVersion;
515     readonly attribute boolean reservationSupported;
516     JobSession createJobSession(in string sessionName,
517                               in string contactString);
518     ReservationSession createReservationSession(in string sessionName,
519                                              in string contactString);
520     MonitoringSession createMonitoringSession (in string contactString);
```

<sup>10</sup> Comparison to DRMAA 1.0: The `InconsistentStateException` was removed, since it is semantically equal to the `InvalidStateException` (conf. call Jan 7th 2010) The former `HoldInconsistentStateException`, `ReleaseInconsistentStateException`, `ResumeInconsistentStateException`, and `SuspendInconsistentStateException` from DRMAA v1.0 are now expressed as single `InvalidStateException` with different meaning per raising method. (F2F meeting July 2009)

```

521     JobSession openJobSession(in string sessionName);
522     ReservationSession openReservationSession(in string sessionName);
523     void closeJobSession(in JobSession s);
524     void closeReservationSession(in ReservationSession s);
525     void closeMonitoringSession(in MonitoringSession s);
526     void destroyJobSession(in string sessionName);
527     void destroyReservationSession(in string sessionName);
528     StringList getJobSessions();
529     StringList getReservationSessions();
530 };

```

531 The **SessionManager** interface is the main interface for establishing communication with a given DRM system. By the help of this interface, sessions for job management, monitoring, and/or reservation management can be maintained.

534 Job and reservation sessions maintain persistent state information (about jobs and reservations created) between application runs. State data **SHOULD** be persisted by the library implementation or the DRMS itself (if supported) after closing the session through the according method in the **SessionManager** interface.

537 The re-opening of a session **MUST** be possible on the machine where the session was originally created. Implementations **MAY** also offer to re-open the session on another machine.

539 The state information **SHOULD** be kept until the job or reservation session is explicitly reaped by the according destroy method in the **SessionManager** interface. If an implementation runs out of resources for storing the session information, the closing function **SHOULD** throw a **SessionManagementException**. If an application ends without closing the session properly, the behavior of the DRMAA implementation is undefined.

544 An implementation **MUST** allow the application to have multiple sessions of the same or different types instantiated at the same time. This includes the proper coordination of parallel calls to session methods that share state information.

547 (See footnote)<sup>11</sup>

#### 548 6.1.1 drmsName

549 A system identifier denoting a specific type of DRM system, e.g. “LSF” or “GridWay”. It is intended to support conditional code blocks in the DRMAA application that rely on DRMS-specific details of the DRMAA implementation. Implementations **SHOULD NOT** make versioning information of the particular DRM system a part of this attribute value.

#### 553 6.1.2 drmaaVersion

554 A combination of minor / major version number information for the DRMAA implementation. The major version number **MUST** be the constant value “2”, the minor version number **SHOULD** be used by the

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<sup>11</sup> Comparison to DRMAA 1.0: The concept of a factory from GFD.130 was removed (solves issue #6276). Version 2.0 of DRMAA supports restartable sessions by the newly introduced SessionManager interface. It allows creating multiple concurrent sessions for job submission (solves issue #2821), which can be restarted by their generated session name (solves issue #2820). Session.init() and Session.exit() functionalities are moved to the according session creation and closing routines. The descriptions were fixed accordingly (solves issue #2822). The AlreadyActiveSession error was removed. (F2F meeting July 2009) The drmaaImplementation attribute from DRMAA 1.0 was removed, since it was redundant to the drmsInfo attribute. This one is now available in the new SessionManager interface. (F2F meeting July 2009).

556 DRMAA implementation for expressing its own versioning information.

### 557 6.1.3 reservationSupported

558 The attribute indicates if advance reservation is supported by the DRMAA implementation. If **False**, all  
559 methods related to advance reservation will raise an **UnsupportedOperationException** if being used.

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561 (See footnote)<sup>12</sup>

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### 562 6.1.4 createJobSession / createReservationSession / createMonitoringSession

563 The method creates a new session instance of the particular type for the application. On successful completion  
564 of this method, the necessary initialization for making the session usable **MUST** be completed. Examples are  
565 the connection establishment from the DRMAA library to the DRM system, or the prefetching of information  
566 from non-thread-safe operating system calls, such as **getHostByName**.

567 The **contactString** parameter is an implementation-dependent string that **SHALL** allow the application to  
568 specify which DRM system instance to use. A contact string represents a specific installation of a specific  
569 DRM system, e.g. a Condor central manager machine at a given IP address, or a Grid Engine 'root' and  
570 'cell'. Contact strings are always implementation dependent and therefore opaque to the application. If  
571 **contactString** has the value **UNSET**, a default DRM system **SHOULD** be contacted. The manual configu-  
572 ration or automated detection of a default contact is implementation-specific.

573 The **sessionName** parameter denotes a specific name to be used for the new session. If a session with such  
574 a name was created before, the method **MUST** throw an **InvalidArgumentException**. In all other cases,  
575 including if the provided name has the value **UNSET**, a new session **MUST** be created with a unique name  
576 generated by the implementation. A **MonitoringSession** instance has no persistent state, and therefore  
577 does not support the name concept.

578 If the DRM system does not support advance reservation, than **createReservationSession** **SHALL** throw  
579 an **UnsupportedOperationException**.

### 580 6.1.5 openJobSession / openReservationSession

581 The method is used to open a persisted **JobSession** or **ReservationSession** instance that has previously  
582 been created under the given **sessionName**. The implementation **MUST** support the case that the session  
583 have been created by the same application or by a different application running on the same machine. The  
584 implementation **MAY** support the case that the session was created or updated on a different machine. If  
585 no session with the given **sessionName** exists, an **InvalidArgumentException** **MUST** be raised.

586 If the session described by **sessionName** was already opened before, implementations **MAY** return the same  
587 job or reservation session instance.

588 If the DRM system does not support advance reservation, **openReservationSession** **SHALL** throw an  
589 **UnsupportedOperationException**.

<sup>12</sup>This attribute is intended to avoid test calls for checking if advance reservation is supported by the implementation

### 6.1.6 closeJobSession / closeReservationSession / closeMonitoringSession

The method MUST do whatever work is required to disengage from the DRM system. It SHOULD be callable only once, by only one of the application threads. This SHOULD be ensured by the library implementation. Additional calls beyond the first SHOULD lead to a `NoActiveSessionException` error notification.

For `JobSession` or `ReservationSession` instances, the according state information MUST be saved to some stable storage before the method returns. This method SHALL NOT affect any jobs or reservations in the session (e.g., queued and running jobs remain queued and running).

If the DRM system does not support advance reservation, `closeReservationSession` SHALL throw an `UnsupportedOperationException`.

### 6.1.7 destroyJobSession / destroyReservationSession

The method MUST do whatever work is required to reap persistent session state and cached job state information for the given session name. If session instances for the given name exist, they MUST become invalid after this method was finished successfully. Invalid sessions MUST throw `InvalidSessionException` on every attempt of utilization. This method SHALL NOT affect any jobs or reservations in the session in their operation, e.g. queued and running jobs remain queued and running.

If the DRM system does not support advance reservation, `destroyReservationSession` SHALL throw an `UnsupportedOperationException`.

### 6.1.8 getJobSessions / getReservationSessions

This method returns a list of `JobSession` or `ReservationSession` names that are valid input for a `openJobSession` or `openReservationSession` call.

If the DRM system does not support advance reservation, `getReservationSessions` SHALL throw an `UnsupportedOperationException`.

## 7 Working with Jobs

A DRMAA job represents a single computational activity that is executed by the DRM system on a execution host, typically as operating system process. The `JobSession` interface represents all control and monitoring functions commonly available in DRM systems for such jobs as a whole, while the `Job` interface represents the common functionality for single jobs. Sets of jobs resulting from a bulk submission are separately represented by the `JobArray` interface. `JobTemplate` instances allow to formulate conditions and requirements for the job execution by the DRM system.

### 7.1 The DRMAA State Model

DRMAA defines the following job states:

```
enum JobState {
    UNDETERMINED, QUEUED, QUEUED_HELD, RUNNING, SUSPENDED, REQUEUED,
    REQUEUED_HELD, DONE, FAILED};
```

**UNDETERMINED:** The job status cannot be determined. This is a permanent issue, not being solvable by querying again for the job state.

626 **QUEUED:** The job is queued for being scheduled and executed.

627 **QUEUED\_HELD:** The job has been placed on hold by the system, the administrator, or the submitting  
628 user.

629 **RUNNING:** The job is running on a execution host.

630 **SUSPENDED:** The job has been suspended by the user, the system or the administrator.

631 **REQUEUED:** The job was re-queued by the DRM system, and is eligible to run.

632 **REQUEUED\_HELD:** The job was re-queued by the DRM system, and is currently placed on hold.

633 **DONE:** The job finished without an error.

634 **FAILED:** The job exited abnormally before finishing.

635 If a DRMAA job state has no representation in the underlying DRMS, the DRMAA implementation MAY  
636 never report that job state value. However, all DRMAA implementations MUST provide the `JobState`  
637 enumeration as given here. An implementation SHOULD NOT return any job state value other than those  
638 defined in the `JobState` enumeration.

639 The status values relate to the DRMAA job state transition model, as shown in Figure 1.

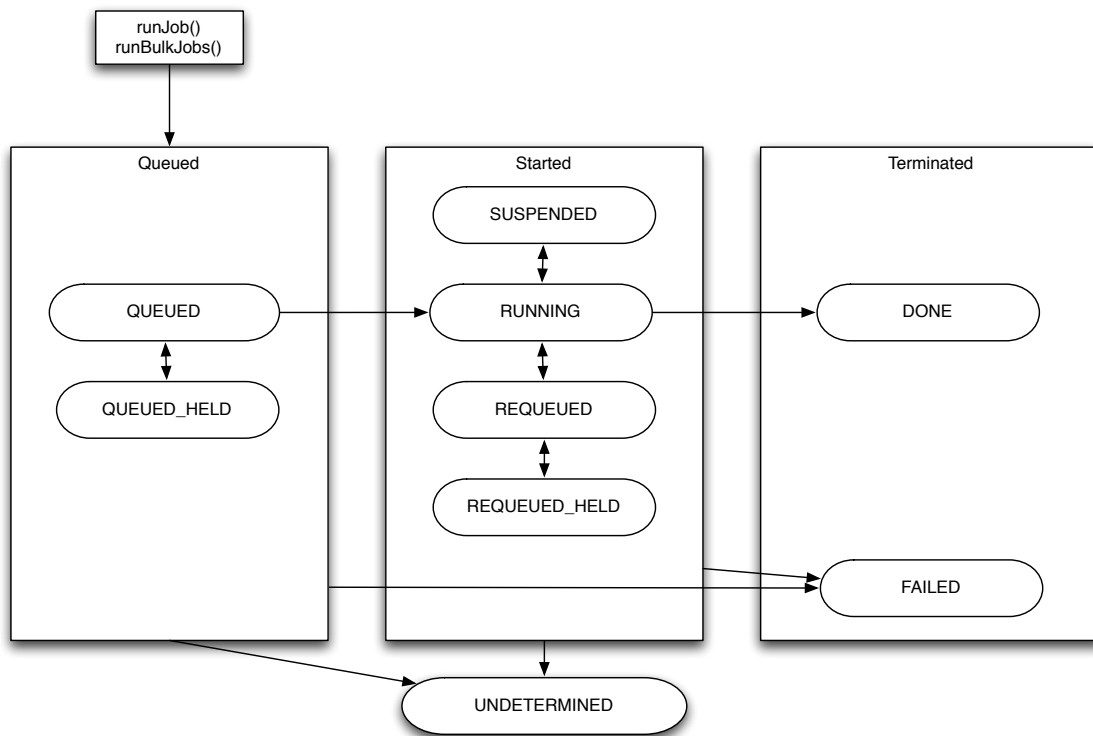


Figure 1: DRMAA Job State Transition Model

640 The transition diagram in Figure 1 expresses the clasification of possible job states into “Queued”, “Started”,  
641 and “Terminated”. This is relevant for the job waiting functions (see Section 7.2 and Section 7.5), which

operate on job state classes only. The “Terminated” class of states is final, meaning that further state transition is not allowed.

Implementations SHALL NOT introduce other job transitions (e.g. from `RUNNING` to `QUEUED`) beside the ones stated in Figure 1, even if they might happen in the underlying DRM system. In this case, implementations MAY emulate the necessary intermediate steps for the DRMAA-based application.

When an application requests job state information, the implementation SHOULD also provide the `subState` value to explain DRM-specific information about the job state. The possible values of this attribute are implementation-specific, but should be documented properly. Examples are extra states for staging phases or details on the hold reason. Implementations SHOULD define a DRMS-specific data structure for the sub-state information that can be converted to / from the data type defined by the language binding.

The IDL definition declares the sub state attributes as type `any`, expressing the fact that the language binding MUST map the data type to a generic language type (e.g. `void*`, `Object`) that maintains source code portability across DRMAA implementations and still accepts an `UNSET` value.

The DRMAA job state model can be mapped to other high-level API state models. Table 3 gives a non-normative set of examples.

DRMAA JobState	SAGA JobState [3]	OGSA-BES Job State [2]
UNDETERMINED	N/A	N/A
QUEUED	Running	Pending (Queued)
QUEUED_HELD	Running	Pending (Queued)
RUNNING	Running	Running (Executing)
SUSPENDED	Suspended	Running (Suspended)
REQUEUED	Running	Pending (Queued)
REQUEUED_HELD	Running	Pending (Queued)
DONE	Done	Finished
FAILED	Cancelled, Failed	Cancelled, Failed

Table 3: Example Mapping of DRMAA Job States

Re-check job  
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ping

(See footnote)<sup>13</sup>

<sup>13</sup> Comparison to DRMAA 1.0:

The differentiation between the system hold, user hold, and system / user hold job states was removed (conf. call Jan 20th 2009). There is only one hold state now. A job can now change its state from one of the `SUSPENDED` states to the `QUEUED_ACTIVE` state (conf. call Jan 20th 2009, solves issue #2788). The job state `UNDETERMINED` is now clearer defined. It expressed a permanent issue, meaning that the job state will not change by just waiting. Temporary problems in the detection of the job state are now expressed by the `TryLaterException` (conf. call Feb 5th 2009, solves issue #2783). The description of the `FAILED` state was extended to support a more specific differentiation between different job failure reasons. The new `subState` feature allows the DRMAA implementation to provide better information, if available. There was no portable way of standardizing extended failure information in a better way. (conf. call May 12th 2009, solves issue #5875) The different suspend job states from DRMAA1 (user suspended, system suspended, user / system suspended) are now combined into one suspend state. DRM systems with the need to express the different suspend reasons can use the new sub-state feature (conf. call Mar 5th 2010).

## 7.2 JobSession Interface

A job session instance acts as container for job instances controlled through the DRMAA API. The session methods support the submission of new jobs, the monitoring and the control of existing jobs. The relationship between jobs and their session MUST be persisted, as described in Section 6.1.

```
interface JobSession {
    readonly attribute string contact;
    readonly attribute string sessionName;
    readonly attribute boolean notificationSupported;
    JobList getJobs(in JobInfo filter);
    Job runJob(in JobTemplate jobTemplate);
    JobArray runBulkJobs(
        in JobTemplate jobTemplate,
        in long beginIndex,
        in long endIndex,
        in long step);
    Job waitAnyStarted(in JobList jobs, in TimeAmount timeout);
    Job waitAnyTerminated(in JobList jobs, in TimeAmount timeout);
    void registerEventNotification(in DrmaaCallback callback);
};
```

(See footnote)<sup>14</sup>

### 7.2.1 contact

This attribute contains the `contact` value that was used in the `SessionManager::createJobSession` call for this instance (see Section 6.1). If no value was originally provided, the default contact string from the implementation MUST be returned. This attribute is read-only.

### 7.2.2 sessionName

This attribute contains the `sessionName` value that was used in the `SessionManager::createJobSession` or `SessionManager::openJobSession` call for this instance (see Section 6.1). This attribute is read-only.

<sup>14</sup> Comparison to DRMAA 1.0: The original separation between `synchronize()` and `wait()` was replaced by a complete new synchronization semantic in the API. DRMAA2 has now two methods, `waitStarted()` and `waitTerminated()`. The first waits for any state that expresses that the job was started, the second for any terminal status. Both methods are available on session level (wait for any of the given jobs to start / end) or on single job level (solves issue #5880 and #2838). The function returns always a Job object, in order to allow chaining, e.g. `job.wait(JobStatus.RUNNING).hold()`. The session-level functions implement the old DRMAA `wait(SESSION_ANY)`. The old `synchronize()` semantics are no longer directly supported - instead, the DRMAA application should use a looped `Job.wait...` / `JobSession.waitAny...` call. The result is a more condensed and responsive API, were the application can decide to keep the user informed during synchronization on a set of jobs. DRMAA library implementations should also become easier to design, since the danger of multithreading side effects inside the DRMAA API is reduced by this change. As a side effect, `JOB_IDS.SESSION_ANY` and `JOB_IDS.SESSION_ALL` are no longer needed. The special consideration of a partial failures during `SESSION_ALL` wait activities is also no longer necessary (F2F meeting July 2009). The JobSession now allows to fetch also information about jobs that were not submitted through DRMAA (conf. call June 23th 2010).



### 7.2.3 notificationSupported

The attribute indicates if event notification is supported by the DRMAA implementation for the job session. If **False**, then `registerEventNotification` will raise an `UnsupportedOperationException` if being used.

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### 7.2.4 getJobs

This method returns a sequence of jobs that belong to the job session. The **filter** parameter allows one to choose a subset of the session jobs as return value. The attribute semantics for the **filter** argument are explained in Section 4.8. If no job matches or the session has no jobs attached, the method **MUST** return an empty sequence instance. If **filter** is **UNSET**, all session jobs **MUST** be returned.

Time-dependent effects of this method, such as jobs no longer matching to filter criteria on evaluation time, are implementation-specific. The purpose of the filter parameter is to keep scalability with a large number of jobs per session. Applications therefore must consider the possibly changed state of jobs during their evaluation of the method result.

### 7.2.5 runJob

The `runJob` method submits a job with the attributes defined in the job template parameter. It returns a `Job` object that represents the job in the underlying DRM system. Depending on the job template settings, submission attempts may be rejected with an `InvalidArgumentException`. The error details **SHOULD** provide further information about the attribute(s) responsible for the rejection.

When this method returns a valid `Job` instance, the following conditions **SHOULD** be fulfilled:

- The job is part of the persistent state of the job session.
- All non-DRMAA and DRMAA interfaces to the DRM system report the job as being submitted to the DRM system.
- The job has one of the DRMAA job states.

### 7.2.6 runBulkJobs

The `runBulkJobs` method creates a set of parametric jobs, each with attributes defined in the given job template. Each job in the set is identical, except for the job template attributes that include the `JobTemplatePlaceholder::PARAMETRIC_INDEX` macro (see Section 7.4).

If any of the resulting parametric job templates is not accepted by the DRM system, the method call **MUST** raise an `InvalidArgumentException`. No job from the set **SHOULD** be submitted in this case.

The first job in the set has an index equal to the **beginIndex** parameter of the method call. The smallest valid value for **beginIndex** is 1. The next job has an index equal to **beginIndex + step**, and so on. The last job has an index equal to **beginIndex + n \* step**, where **n** is equal to **(endIndex - beginIndex) / step**. The index of the last job may not be equal to **endIndex** if the difference between **beginIndex** and **endIndex** is not evenly divisible by **step**. The **beginIndex** value must be less than or equal to the **endIndex** value, and only positive index numbers are allowed, otherwise the method **SHOULD** raise an `InvalidArgumentException`.

Implementations **MAY** provide custom ways for the job to determine its index number.

The `runBulkJobs` method returns a `JobArray` (see Section 7.6) instance that represents the set of `Job` objects created by the method call under a common array identifier. For each of the jobs in the array, the same conditions as for the result of `runJob` SHOULD apply.

The largest valid value for `endIndex` MUST be defined by the language binding.

(See footnote)<sup>15</sup>

### 7.2.7 `waitAnyStarted` / `waitAnyTerminated`

The `waitAnyStarted` method blocks until any of the jobs referenced in the `jobs` parameter entered one of the “Started” states. The `waitAnyTerminated` method blocks until any of the jobs referenced in the `jobs` parameter entered one of the “Terminated” states (see Section 7.1). If the input list contains jobs that are not part of the session, `waitAnyStarted` SHALL fail with an `InvalidArgumentException`.

The `timeout` argument specifies the desired behavior when a result is not immediately available. The constant value `INFINITE_TIME` may be specified to wait indefinitely for a result. The constant value `ZERO_TIME` may be specified to return immediately. Alternatively, a number of seconds may be specified to indicate how long to wait for a result to become available. If the invocation exits on timeout, an `TimeoutException` SHALL be raised.

In a multi-threaded environment with multiple `JobSession::waitAny...` calls, only one of the active thread SHOULD get the status change notification for a particular job, while the other threads SHOULD continue waiting. If there are no more queryable jobs left in the session, all remaining waiting threads SHOULD fail with an `InvalidStateException`. If thread A is waiting for a specific job with `Job::wait...`, and another thread, thread B, waiting for that same job or with `JobSession::waitAny...`, than B SHOULD receive the notification that the job has finished, thread A SHOULD fail with an `InvalidStateException`. Waiting for a job state is a read-only operation.

An application waiting for some condition to happen in *all* jobs of a set is expected to perform looped calls of these waiting functions.

(See footnote)<sup>16</sup>

### 7.2.8 `registerEventNotification`

This method is used to register a `DrmaaCallback` interface (see Section 7.3) implemented by the DRMAA-based application. If the callback functionality is not supported by the DRMAA implementation, the method SHALL raise an `UnsupportedOperationException`. Implementations MAY support the registration of multiple callback methods.

A language binding specification MUST define how the reference to an interface-compliant method can be given as argument to this method.

<sup>15</sup> There was a discussion (mailing list Jan 2011) about having specialized job templates for bulk submission, with support for the start / end index and a slots limit. We rejected that, since job templates are intended for re-usage.

<sup>16</sup> People typically ask for the `waitAll..()` counterparts of these functions. Since they are so easy to implement in the application itself, we could not see any benefit in adding them. Due to there intended long-blocking operation, the DRM system would no be able to offer any better (meaning much faster) implementation to be wrapped by DRMAA.

### 7.3 DrmaaCallback Interface

The `DrmaaCallback` interface allows the DRMAA library or the DRM system to inform the application about relevant events from the DRM system in an asynchronous fashion. One expected use case is loseless monitoring of job state transitions. The support for such callback functionality is optional, but all implementations MUST define the `DrmaaCallback` interface type as given in the language binding.

```

interface DrmaaCallback {
    void notify(in DrmaaNotification notification);
};

struct DrmaaNotification {
    DrmaaEvent event;
    Job job;
    JobState jobState;
};

enum DrmaaEvent {
    NEW_STATE, MIGRATED, ATTRIBUTE_CHANGE
};

```

The application callback interface is registered through the `JobSession::registerEventNotification` method (see Section 7.2). The `DrmaaNotification` structure represents the notification information from the DRM system. Implementations MAY extend this structure for further information (see Section 4). All given information SHOULD be valid at least at the time of notification generation.

The `DrmaaEvent` enumeration defines standard event types for notification:

**NEW\_STATE** The job entered a new state, which is described in the `jobState` attribute of the notification structure.

**MIGRATED** The job was migrated to another execution host, and is now in the given state.

**ATTRIBUTE\_CHANGE** A monitoring attribute of the job, such as the memory consumption, changed to a new value. The `jobState` attribute MAY have the value `UNSET` on this event.

DRMAA implementations SHOULD protect themselves from unexpected behavior of the called application. This includes indefinite delays or unexpected exceptions from the callee. An implementation SHOULD also disallow any library calls while the callback function is running, to avoid recursion scenarios. It is RECOMMENDED to raise `TryLaterException` in this case.

Scalability issues of the notification facility are out of scope for this specification. Implementations MAY decide to support non-standardized throttling configuration options.

(See footnote)<sup>17</sup>

### 7.4 JobTemplate Structure

In order to define the attributes associated with a job, a DRMAA application uses the `JobTemplate` structure. It specifies any required job parameters and is passed to the DRMAA `JobSession` instance when job execution is requested.

<sup>17</sup> We intentionally did not add `subState` to the notification information, since this would make callback interface implementations specific for the DRM system, without any chance for creating a portable DRMAA application.

```

785 struct JobTemplate {
786     StringList attributeNames;
787     string remoteCommand;
788     OrderedStringList args;
789     boolean submitAsHold;
790     boolean rerunnable;
791     Dictionary jobEnvironment;
792     string workingDirectory;
793     string jobCategory;
794     StringList email;
795     boolean emailOnStarted;
796     boolean emailOnTerminated;
797     string jobName;
798     string inputPath;
799     string outputPath;
800     string errorPath;
801     boolean joinFiles;
802     string reservationId;
803     string queueName;
804     long minSlots;
805     long maxSlots;
806     long priority;
807     OrderedStringList candidateMachines;
808     long minPhysMemory;
809     OperatingSystem machineOS;
810     CpuArchitecture machineArch;
811     AbsoluteTime startTime;
812     Dictionary drmsSpecific;
813     AbsoluteTime deadlineTime;
814     Dictionary stageInFiles;
815     Dictionary stageOutFiles;
816     Dictionary softResourceLimits;
817     Dictionary hardResourceLimits;
818     string accountingId;
819 };

```

820 The DRMAA job template concept makes a distinction between *mandatory* and *optional* attributes. Manda-  
821 tory attributes MUST be supported by the implementation in the sense that they are evaluated on job  
822 submission. Optional attributes MAY be evaluated on job submission, but MUST be provided as part of the  
823 **JobTemplate** structure in the implementation. If an unsupported optional attribute has a value different to  
824 UNSET, the job submission MUST fail with a **UnsupportedAttributeException**. DRMAA applications are  
825 expected to check for the availability of optional attributes before using them.

826 Implementations MUST set all attribute values to UNSET on struct allocation. This ensures that both the  
827 DRMAA application and the library implementation can determine untouched attribute members. If not  
828 described differently in the following sections, all attributes SHOULD be allowed to have the UNSET value  
829 on job submission.

830 An implementation SHALL NOT extend the `JobTemplate` structure with implementation-specific attributes,  
831 but SHOULD supported according keys in the `drmsSpecific` attribute (see Section 7.4.9).

832 An implementation MAY support `JobTemplatePlaceholder` macros in more occasions than defined in this  
833 specification.

A language binding specification SHOULD define how a `JobTemplate` instance is convertible to a string for printing, through whatever mechanism is most natural for the implementation language. The resulting string MUST contain the values of all set properties.

The initialization to `UNSET` SHOULD be realized without additional methods in the DRMAA interface, if possible. The according approach MUST be specified by the language binding.

Which attributes should allow the new `HOST_NAME` and `USER_NAME` place holders ?

834  
835 (See footnote)<sup>18</sup>

#### 836 7.4.1 `attributeNames`

837 The `attributeNames` list of strings SHALL enumerate the names of the required and of the supported  
838 optional job template attributes.

839

This is especially intended for languages which do not provide an inherit notion of struct introspection and therefore map job template attribute access to getter / setter functions.

This doesnt make sense anymore, since job templates are now value types.

840 The support for this attribute is mandatory.

#### 841 7.4.2 `remoteCommand`

842 This attribute describes the command to be executed on the remote host. In case this parameter contains  
843 path information, it MUST be seen as relative to the execution host file system and is therefore evaluated  
844 there. The implementation SHOULD NOT relate the value of this attribute to binary file management or  
845 file staging activities. The behavior with an `UNSET` value is implementation-specific.

846 The support for this attribute is mandatory.

<sup>18</sup> Comparison to DRMAA 1.0: `JobTemplate` is now a value type, meaning that it maps to a struct in C. This removes the need for DRMAA-defined methods for construction and destruction of job templates. An eventual RPC scenario for DRMAA gets easier with this approach, since it is closer to the JSDL concept of a job description document.

Supported string placeholders for job template attributes are now listed in the `JobTemplatePlaceholder` enumeration, and must be filled with values by the language binding. Invalid job template settings are now only detected on job submission, not when the attribute is set.

Implementation-specific job template extensions were decided to be no longer supported, which hopefully fosters portable DRMAA-based source code. Implementation-specific job template settings are now covered by the `drmsSpecific` dictionary. This more generic approach also makes the old `nativeOptions` obsolete, so it was removed. Implementations therefore should support all relevant native settings explicitly as keys in the `drmsSpecific` dictionary. (conf. call May 26th 2010).

DRMAA1 supported the utilization of new DRM features through an old DRMAA implementation, based on the `nativeSpecification` field. A conf call (Jul 14th 2010) voted for dropping this intentionally. Implementations instead should be creative with their supported key names.

### 7.4.3 args

This attribute contains the list of command-line arguments for the job(s) to be executed.

The support for this attribute is mandatory.

### 7.4.4 submitAsHold

This attribute defines if the job(s) should be submitted as `QUEUED` or `QUEUED_HELD` (see Section 7.1). Since the boolean `UNSET` value defaults to `False`, jobs are submitted as non-held if this attribute is not set.

The support for this attribute is mandatory.

### 7.4.5 rerunnable

This flag indicates if the submitted job(s) can safely be restarted by the DRM system, for example on a node failure or some other re-scheduling event. Since the boolean `UNSET` value defaults to `False`, jobs are submitted as not rerunnable if this attribute is not set. This attribute **SHOULD NOT** be used by the implementation to let the application denote the checkpointability of a job.

How should check-pointability be denoted ?

The support for this attribute is mandatory.

(See footnote)<sup>19</sup>

### 7.4.6 jobEnvironment

This attribute holds the environment variable key-value pairs for the execution machine(s). The values **SHOULD** override the execution host environment values if there is a collision.

The support for this attribute is mandatory.

### 7.4.7 workingDirectory

This attribute specifies the directory where the job or the bulk jobs are executed. If the attribute value is `UNSET`, the behavior is implementation dependent. Otherwise, the attribute value **MUST** be evaluated relative to the file system on the execution host. The attribute value **MUST** be allowed to contain either the `JobTemplatePlaceholder::HOME_DIRECTORY` or the `JobTemplatePlaceholder::PARAMETRIC_INDEX` placeholder (see Section 4.4).

The `workingDirectory` attribute should be specified by the application in a syntax that is common at the host where the job is executed. Implementations **MAY** perform according validity checks on job submission. If the attribute is set and no placeholder is used, an absolute directory specification is expected. If the attribute is set and the job was submitted successfully and the directory does not exist on the execution host, the job **MUST** enter the state `JobState::FAILED`.

The support for this attribute is mandatory.

<sup>19</sup> The differentiation between rerunnable and checkpointable was decided on a conf call (Aug 25th 2010)

#### 7.4.8 jobCategory

DRMAA facilitates writing DRM-enabled applications even though the deployment properties, in particular the configuration of the DRMS, cannot be known in advance.

Through the `jobCategory` string attribute, a DRMAA application can specify additional needs of the job(s) that are to be mapped by the implementation or DRM system itself to DRMS-specific options. It is intended as non-programmatic extension of DRMAA job submission capabilities. The mapping is performed during the process of job submission. Each category expresses a particular type of job execution that demands site-specific configuration, for example path settings, environment variables, or application starters such as MPIRUN.

A valid input SHOULD be one of the returned strings in `MonitoringSession::drmsJobCategoryNames` (see Section 9.1), otherwise an `InvalidArgumentException` SHOULD be raised.

A non-normative recommendation of category names is maintained at:

<http://www.drmaa.org/jobcategories/>

In case the name is not taken from the DRMAA working group recommendations, it should be self-explanatory for the user to understand the implications on job execution. Implementations are recommended to provide a library configuration facility, which allows site administrators to link job category names with specific product- and site-specific configuration options, such as submission wrapper shell scripts.

The interpretation of the supported `jobCategory` values is implementation-specific. The order of precedence for the `jobCategory` attribute value, the `drmsSpecific` attribute value, or other attribute values is implementation-specific. It is RECOMMENDED to overrule job template settings with a conflicting `jobCategory` setting, and overrule a given `jobCategory` with a conflicting `drmsSpecific` setting.

The support for this attribute is mandatory.

#### 7.4.9 drmsSpecific

This dictionary allows the application to pass DRMS-specific native options as key-value pairs during job submission. In contrast to the usage of predefined configuration sets with the `jobCategory` attribute, this supports passing DRMS-specific options directly. The interpretation of keys and values in this dictionary is implementation-specific. Valid key strings should be documented by the implementation.

The order of precedence rules is described in the `jobCategory` section above.

The support for this attribute is mandatory.

#### 7.4.10 email

This attribute holds a list of email addresses that should be used to report DRM information. Content and formatting of the emails are defined by the implementation or the DRM system. If the attribute value is UNSET, no emails SHOULD be sent to the user running the job(s), even if the DRM system default behavior is to send emails on some event.

The support for this attribute is optional. If an implementation cannot configure the email notification functionality of the DRM system, or if the DRM system has no such functionality, the attribute SHOULD NOT be supported in the implementation.

This became an optional attribute, since we mandate the 'switch off' semantic in case of UNSET

916 (See footnote)<sup>20</sup>

#### 917 7.4.11 emailOnStarted / emailOnTerminated

918 The **emailOnStarted** flag indicates if the given email address(es) SHOULD get a notification when the job  
 919 (or any of the bulk jobs) entered one of the “Started” states. **emailOnTerminated** fulfills the same purpose  
 920 for the “Terminated” states. Since the boolean **UNSET** value defaults to **False**, the notification about state  
 921 changes SHOULD NOT be sent if the attribute is not set.

922 The support for this attribute is optional. It SHALL only be supported if the **email** attribute is supported  
 923 in the implementation.

#### 924 7.4.12 jobName

925 The job name attributes allows the specification of an additional non-unique string identifier for the job(s).  
 926 The implementation MAY truncate any client-provided job name to an implementation-defined length.

927 The support for this attribute is mandatory.

#### 928 7.4.13 inputPath / outputPath / errorPath

929 This attribute specifies standard input / output / error stream of the job as a path to a file. If the attribute  
 930 value is **UNSET**, the behavior is implementation dependent. Otherwise, the attribute value MUST be evaluated  
 931 relative to the file system of the execution host in a syntax that is common at the host. Implementations  
 932 MAY perform according validity checks on job submission. The attribute value MUST be allowed to contain  
 933 any of the **JobTemplatePlaceholder** placeholders (see Section 4.4). If the attribute is set and no placeholder  
 934 is used, an absolute file path specification is expected.

935 If the **outputPath** or **errorPath** file does not exist at the time the job is about to be executed, the file  
 936 SHALL first be created. An existing **outputPath** or **errorPath** file SHALL be opened in append mode.

937 If the attribute is set and the job was submitted successfully and the file cannot be created / read / written  
 938 on the execution host, the job MUST enter the state **JobState::FAILED**.

939 The support for this attribute is mandatory.

#### 940 7.4.14 joinFiles

941 Specifies whether the error stream should be intermixed with the output stream. Since the boolean **UNSET**  
 942 value defaults to **False**, intermixing SHALL NOT happen if the attribute is not set.

943 If this attribute is set to **True**, the implementation SHALL ignore the value of the **errorPath** attribute and  
 944 intermix the standard error stream with the standard output stream as specified by the **outputPath**.

945 The support for this attribute is mandatory.

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<sup>20</sup> The blockEmail attribute in the JobTemplate was replaced by the **UNSET** semantic for the email addresses. (conf. call July 28th 2010).



#### 7.4.15 stageInFiles / stageOutFiles

Specifies what files should be transferred (staged) as part of the job execution. The data staging operation MUST be a copy operation between the submission host and the execution host(s). File transfers between execution hosts are not covered by DRMAA.

The attribute value is formulated as dictionary. For each key-value pair in the dictionary, the key defines the source path of one file or directory, and the value defines the destination path of one file or directory for the copy operation. For **stageInFiles**, the submission host acts as source, and the execution host(s) act as destination. For **stageOutFiles**, the execution host(s) acts as source, and the submission host act as destination.

All values MUST be evaluated relative to the file system on the host in a syntax that is common at that host. Implementations MAY perform according validity checks on job submission. Paths on the execution host(s) MUST be allowed to contain any of the **JobTemplatePlaceholder** placeholders. Paths on the submission host MUST be allowed to contain the **JobTemplatePlaceholder::PARAMETRIC\_INDEX** placeholder (see Section 4.4). If no placeholder is used in the values, an absolute path specification on the particular host SHOULD be assumed by the implementation.

Jobs SHOULD NOT enter **JobState::DONE** unless all staging operations are finished. The behavior in case of missing files is implementation-specific. The support for wildcard operators in path specifications is implementation-specific.

The support for this attribute is optional.

(See footnote)<sup>21</sup>

#### 7.4.16 reservationId

Specifies the identifier of the advance reservation associated with the job(s). The application is expected to create an advance reservation through the **ReservationSession** interface, the resulting **reservationId** (see Section 8.3) then acts as valid input for this job template attribute. Implementations MAY support an reservation identifier from non-DRMAA information sources as valid input.

The support for this attribute is mandatory.

#### 7.4.17 queueName

This attribute specifies the name of the queue the job(s) should be submitted to. In case this attribute value is **UNSET**, and **MonitoringSession::getAllQueues** returns a list with a minimum length of 1, the implementation SHOULD use the DRM systems default queue.

The **MonitoringSession::getAllQueues** method (see 9.1) supports the determination of valid queue names. Implementations SHOULD allow these queue names to be used in the **queueName** attribute. Implementations MAY also support queue names from other non-DRMAA information sources as valid input. If no

<sup>21</sup> Comparison to DRMAA 1.0: New job template attributes for file transfers were introduced. They allow to express a set of file staging activities, similar to the approach in LSF and SAGA. They replace the old **transferFiles** attribute, the according **FileTransferMode** data structure and the special host definition syntax in **inputPath / outputPath / errorPath** (different conf. calls, SAGA F2F meeting, solves issue #5876)

Needs final approval by the group.

980 default queue is defined or if the given queue name is not valid, the job submission MUST lead to an  
981 `InvalidArgumentException`.

982 If `MonitoringSession::getAllQueues` returns an empty list, this attribute MUST be only accepted with  
983 the value `UNSET`.

984 Since the meaning of “queues” is implementation-specific, there is no implication on the effects in the DRM  
985 system when using this attribute. As one example, requesting a number of slots for a job in one queue has no  
986 implication on the number of utilized machines at run-time. Implementations therefore SHOULD document  
987 the effects of this attribute accordingly.

988 The support for this attribute is mandatory.

#### 989 7.4.18 minSlots / maxSlots

990 This attribute expresses the minimum / maximum number of slots requested per job (see also Section 1.3).  
991 If the value of `minSlots` is `UNSET`, it SHOULD default to 1. If the value of `maxSlots` is `UNSET`, it SHOULD  
992 default to the value of `minSlots`.

993 Implementations MAY interpret the slot count as number of concurrent processes being allowed on one  
994 machine. If this interpretation is taken, and `minSlots` is greater than 1, than the `jobCategory` SHOULD  
995 also be demanded on job submission, in order to express the nature of the intended parallel job execution.

996 The support for this attribute is mandatory.

#### 997 7.4.19 priority

998 This attribute specifies the scheduling priority for the job. The interpretation of the given value incl. an  
999 `UNSET` value is implementation-specific.

1000 The support for this attribute is mandatory.

#### 1001 7.4.20 candidateMachines

1002 Requests that the job(s) should run on any subset (with minimum size of 1), or all of the given machines.  
1003 If the attribute value is `UNSET`, it should default to the result of the `MonitoringSession::getAllMachines`  
1004 method. If this resource demand cannot be fulfilled, an `InvalidArgumentException` SHOULD be raised  
1005 on job submission time. If the problem can only be detected after job submission, the job should enter  
1006 `JobState::FAILED`.

1007 The support for this attribute is mandatory.

#### 1008 7.4.21 minPhysMemory

1009 This attribute denotes the minimum amount of physical memory in Kibibyte expected on the / all execution  
1010 host(s). If this resource demand cannot be fulfilled, an `InvalidArgumentException` SHOULD be raised  
1011 at job submission time. If the problem can only be detected after job submission, the job SHOULD enter  
1012 `JobState::FAILED` accordingly.

1013 The support for this attribute is mandatory.

#### 1014 7.4.22 machineOS

1015 This attribute denotes the expected operating system type on the / all execution host(s). If this resource de-  
 1016 mand cannot be fulfilled, an **InvalidArgumentException** SHOULD be raised on job submission time. If the  
 1017 problem can only be detected after job submission, the job SHOULD enter **JobState::FAILED** accordingly.

1018 The support for this attribute is mandatory.

1019 (See footnote)<sup>22</sup>

#### 1020 7.4.23 machineArch

1021 This attribute denotes the expected machine architecture on the / all execution host(s). If this resource  
 1022 demand cannot be fulfilled, an **InvalidArgumentException** SHOULD be raised on job submission time. If  
 1023 the problem can only be detected after job submission, the job should enter **JobState::FAILED**.

1024 The support for this attribute is mandatory.

#### 1025 7.4.24 startTime

1026 This attribute specifies the earliest time when the job may be eligible to be run.

1027 The support for this attribute is mandatory.

#### 1028 7.4.25 deadlineTime

1029 Specifies a deadline after which the implementation or the DRM system SHOULD change the job state to  
 1030 any of the “Terminated” states (see Section 7.1).

1031 The support for this attribute is optional.

#### 1032 7.4.26 softResourceLimits / hardResourceLimits

1033 This attribute specifies the soft / hard limits on resource utilization of the job(s) on the execution host(s).  
 1034 The valid dictionary keys and their value semantics are defined in Section 4.3. An implementation MAY  
 1035 map the settings to an *ulimit(3)* on the operating system, if available.

1036 The support for this attribute is optional. If only a subset of the attributes from **ResourceLimitType** is  
 1037 supported by the implementation, and some of the unsupported attributes are used, the job submission  
 1038 SHOULD raise an **InvalidArgumentException** expressing the fact that resource limits are supported in  
 1039 general.

1040 Conflicts of these attribute values with any other job template attribute or with referenced advanced reser-  
 1041 vations are handled in an implementation-specific manner. Implementations SHOULD try to delegate the  
 1042 decision about parameter combination validity to the DRM system, in order to ensure similar semantics in  
 1043 different DRMAA implementations for this system.

1044  
 1045 (See footnote)<sup>23</sup>

<sup>22</sup> Requesting a particular operating system version is not supported by the majority of DRM systems (conf call Jul 28th 2010)

<sup>23</sup> In comparison to DRMAA 1.0, resource usage limitations can now be expressed by two dictionaries and an according

Unclear what happens from DRMAA perspective if a soft limit is violated. We have no signals.

#### 7.4.27 accountingId

This attribute denotes a string that can be used by the DRM system for job accounting purposes. Implementations SHOULD NOT utilize this information as authentication token, but only as identification information in addition to the implementation-specific authentication (see Section 11).

The support for this attribute is optional.

### 7.5 Job Interface

Every job in the `JobSession` is expressed by an own instance of the `Job` interface. It allows one to instruct the DRM system for a job status change, and to query the status attributes of the job in the DRM system.

```
interface Job {
    readonly attribute string jobId;
    readonly attribute JobSession session;
    readonly attribute JobTemplate jobTemplate;
    void suspend();
    void resume();
    void hold();
    void release();
    void terminate();
    JobState getState(out any jobSubState);
    JobInfo getInfo();
    Job waitStarted(in TimeAmount timeout);
    Job waitTerminated(in TimeAmount timeout);
};
```

(See footnote)<sup>24</sup>

#### 7.5.1 jobId

This attribute provides the string job identifier assigned to the job by the DRM system. It is intended as performant alternative for fetching a complete `JobInfo` instance for this information.

#### 7.5.2 session

This attribute offers a reference to the `JobSession` instance that represents the session used for the job submission creating this `Job` instance.

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standardized set of valid dictionary keys (LimitType). The idea is to allow a direct mapping to `ulimit(3)` semantics, which are supported by the majority of DRM system today. A separate run duration limit is no longer needed, since this is covered by the new `CPU_TIME` limit parameter. (conf. call Jun 9th 2010).

<sup>24</sup> In comparison to DRMAA v1.0, DRMAA2 replaces the identification of jobs by strings with Job objects. This enables a tighter integration of job meta-data and identity, for the price of reduced performance in (so far not existing) DRMAA RPC scenarios. The former DRMAA `control()` with the `JobControlAction` structure is now split up into dedicated functions (such as `hold()` and `release()`) on the Job object.

Even though the DRMAAv2 surveys showed interest in interactive job support, this feature was intentionally left out. Reasons are the missing support in some major DRM systems, and the lack of a relevant DRMAA-related use case (conf. call Jan 7th 2010).

Issue #5877 (support for direct job signaling) was rejected, even though there was an according request from the SAGA WG. Issue #2782 (change attributes of submitted, but pending jobs) was rejected based on group decision.

### 7.5.3 `jobTemplate`

This attribute provides a reference to a `JobTemplate` instance that has equal values to the one that was used for the job submission creating this `Job` instance.

### 7.5.4 `suspend / resume / hold / release / terminate`

The job control functions allow modifying the status of the single job in the DRM system, according to the state model presented in Section 7.1.

The `suspend` method triggers a transition from `RUNNING` to `SUSPENDED` state. The `resume` method triggers a transition from `SUSPENDED` to `RUNNING` state. The `hold` method triggers a transition from `QUEUED` to `QUEUED_HELD`, or from `REQUEUED` to `REQUEUED_HELD` state. The `release` method triggers a transition from `QUEUED_HELD` to `QUEUED`, or from `REQUEUED_HELD` to `REQUEUED` state. The `terminate` method triggers a transition from any of the “Started” states to one of the “Terminated” states. If the job is in an inappropriate state for the particular method, the method MUST raise an `InvalidStateException`.

The methods SHOULD return after the action has been acknowledged by the DRM system, but MAY return before the action has been completed. Some DRMAA implementations MAY allow this method to be used to control jobs submitted externally to the DRMAA session, such as jobs submitted by other DRMAA sessions in other DRMAA implementations or jobs submitted via native utilities. This behavior is implementation-specific.

### 7.5.5 `getState`

This method allows one to gather the current status of the job according to the DRMAA state model, together with an implementation specific sub state (see Section 7.1). It is intended as performant alternative for fetching a complete `JobInfo` instance for state checks. The timing conditions are described in Section 4.8.

(See footnote)<sup>25</sup>

### 7.5.6 `getInfo`

This method returns a `JobInfo` instance for the particular job under the conditions described in Section 4.8.

### 7.5.7 `waitStarted / waitTerminated`

The `waitStarted` method blocks until the job entered one of the “Started” states. The `waitTerminated` method blocks until the job entered one of the “Terminated” states (see Section 7.1). The `timeout` argument specifies the desired behavior when a result is not immediately available. The constant value `INFINITE_TIME` may be specified to wait indefinitely for a result. The constant value `ZERO_TIME` may be specified to return immediately. Alternatively, a number of seconds may be specified to indicate how long to wait for a result to become available. If the invocation exits on timeout, an `TimeoutException` SHALL be raised. If the job is in an inappropriate state for the particular method, the method MUST raise an `InvalidStateException`.

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<sup>25</sup> The `getState()` function now also returns job subState information. This is intended as additional information for the given DRMAA job state, and can be used for expressing the hold state differentiation from DRMAA 1.0 (conf. call Mar 31st 2009).

## 7.6 JobArray Interface

The following section explains the set of methods and attributes defined in the `JobArray` interface. Any instance of this interface represent an *job array*, a common concept in many DRM systems for a job set created by one operation. In DRMAA, `JobArray` instances are only created by the `runBulkJobs` operation (see Section 7.2). `JobArray` instances differ from the `JobList` data structure due to their potential for representing a DRM system concept, while `JobList` is a DRMAA-only concept mainly realized by the language binding sequence support. Implementations SHOULD realize the `JobArray` functionality as wrapper for DRM system job arrays, if possible. If the DRM system has only single job support or incomplete job array support with respect to the DRMAA-provided functionality, implementations MUST realize the `JobArray` functionality on their own, for example based on looped operations with a list of jobs.

```
interface JobArray {
    readonly attribute string jobId;
    readonly attribute JobList jobs;
    readonly attribute JobSession session;
    readonly attribute JobTemplate jobTemplate;
    void suspend();
    void resume();
    void hold();
    void release();
    void terminate();
};
```

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(See footnote)<sup>26</sup>

### 7.6.1 jobId

This attribute provides the string job identifier assigned to the job array by the DRM system. If the DRM system has no job array support, the implementation MUST generate a system-wide unique identifier for the result of the successful `runBulkJobs` operation.

### 7.6.2 jobs

This attribute provides the static list of jobs that are part of the job array.

(See footnote)<sup>27</sup>

### 7.6.3 session

This attribute offers a reference to a `JobSession` instance that represents the session which was used for the job submission creating this `JobArray` instance.

<sup>26</sup> We are aware of the fact that some systems (e.g. LSF at the time of writing) do not support all DRMAA control operations offered for `JobArrays`. Since we intended to avoid optional DRMAA operations wherever we could, the text here mandates the implementation to simulate the `JobArray` support on its own. For example, looping over all jobs in the array and calling “suspend” for each one is trivial to implement and fulfills the same purpose.

<sup>27</sup> We were asked for offering a filter support similar to `JobSession` here. This was rejected by discussion on the list (Jan 2011), since the number of jobs returned here is normally comparatively short. In this case, the DRM system cannot provide any benefit over the looped check in the application itself.

#### 1141 7.6.4 jobTemplate

1142 This attribute provides a reference to a `JobTemplate` instance that has equal values to the one that was  
 1143 used for the job submission creating this `JobArray` instance.

1144 (See footnote)<sup>28</sup>

#### 1145 7.6.5 suspend / resume / hold / release / terminate

1146 The job control functions allow modifying the status of the job array in the DRM system, with the same  
 1147 semantic as with the counterparts in the `Job` interface (see Section 7.5). If one of the jobs in the array is in  
 1148 an inappropriate state for the particular method, the method **MUST** raise an `InvalidStateException`.

1149 The methods **SHOULD** return after the action has been acknowledged by the DRM system for all jobs in  
 1150 the array, but **MAY** return before the action has been completed. Some DRMAA implementations **MAY**  
 1151 allow this method to be used to control job arrays created externally to the DRMAA session, such as job  
 1152 arrays submitted by other DRMAA sessions in other DRMAA implementations or job arrays submitted via  
 1153 native utilities. This behavior is implementation-specific.

## 1154 8 Working with Advance Reservation

1155 Advance reservation is a DRM system concept that allows the reservation of execution resources for jobs  
 1156 to be submitted. DRMAA encapsulates such functionality of a DRM system with the interfaces and data  
 1157 structures described in this chapter.

1158 DRMAA implementations for DRM systems that do not support advance reservation still **MUST** imple-  
 1159 mented the described interfaces, in order to keep source code portability for DRMAA-based applications.

### 1160 8.1 ReservationSession Interface

1161 Every `ReservationSession` instance represents a set of advance reservations in the DRM system. Every  
 1162 `Reservation` instance **SHALL** belong only to one `ReservationSession` instance.

```
1163 interface ReservationSession {
1164     readonly attribute string contact;
1165     readonly attribute string sessionName;
1166     Reservation getReservation(in string reservationId);
1167     Reservation requestReservation(in ReservationTemplate reservationTemplate);
1168     ReservationList getReservations();
1169 };
```

1170 If the DRM system does not support advance reservation, all methods in this interface **SHALL** throw an  
 1171 `UnsupportedOperationException`.

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<sup>28</sup> The use case from SAGA perspective is that the user can easily resubmit the same job - just changing for example some command line parameter, but leaving the remainder fixed (mail by Andre Merzky, July 29th 2010).

### 1172 8.1.1 contact

1173 This attribute contains the `contact` value that was used in the `createReservationSession` call for this  
 1174 instance (see Section 6.1). If no value was originally provided, the default contact string from the implemen-  
 1175 tation MUST be returned. This attribute is read-only.

### 1176 8.1.2 sessionName

1177 This attribute contains the name of the session that was used for creating or opening this `Reservation`  
 1178 instance (see Section 6.1). This attribute is read-only.

### 1179 8.1.3 getReservation

1180 This method returns a `Reservation` instance that belongs to the session instance and has the given  
 1181 `reservationId`. If no reservation matches, the method SHALL raise an `InvalidArgumentException`. Time-  
 1182 dependent effects of this method are implementation-specific.

### 1183 8.1.4 requestReservation

1184 The `requestReservation` method SHALL request an advance reservation in the DRM system with at-  
 1185 tributes defined in the provided `ReservationTemplate`. On a successful reservation, the method returns a  
 1186 `Reservation` instance that represents the advance reservation in the underlying DRM system.

1187 The method SHALL raise an `InvalidArgumentException` if the reservation cannot be performed by the  
 1188 DRM system. It SHOULD further provide detailed information about the rejection cause in the extended  
 1189 error information (see Section 5).

1190 In case some of the conditions are not fulfilled after the reservation was successfully created, for example due  
 1191 to execution host outages, the reservation itself SHOULD remain valid.

### 1192 8.1.5 getReservations

1193 This method returns the list of reservations successfully created so far in this session, regardless of their start  
 1194 and end time. The list of `Reservation` instances is only cleared in conjunction with the destruction of the  
 1195 actual session instance through `SessionManager::destroyReservationSession` (see also Section 6.1).

## 1196 8.2 ReservationTemplate structure

1197 In order to define the attributes associated with an advance reservation, the DRMAA application creates  
 1198 an `ReservationTemplate` instance and requests the fulfilment through the `ReservationSession` methods  
 1199 in the DRM system.

```
1200 struct ReservationTemplate {
1201     StringList attributeNames;
1202     string reservationName;
1203     AbsoluteTime startTime;
1204     AbsoluteTime endTime;
1205     TimeAmount duration;
1206     long minSlots;
1207     long maxSlots;
```



```

1208     OrderedStringList candidateMachines;
1209     long minPhysMemory;
1210     OperatingSystem machineOS;
1211     CpuArchitecture machineArch;
1212     Dictionary drmsSpecific;
1213 };

```

Similar to the `JobTemplate` concept (see Section 7.4), there is a distinction between *mandatory* and *optional* attributes. Mandatory attributes **MUST** be supported by the implementation in the sense that they are evaluated in a `ReservationSession::requestReservation` call. Optional attributes **MAY NOT** be evaluated in a particular implementation, but **MUST** be provided as part of the `ReservationTemplate` structure in the implementation. If an optional attribute is not evaluated by the particular implementation, but has a value different to `UNSET`, the call to `ReservationSession::requestReservation` **MUST** fail with a `UnsupportedAttributeException`. DRMAA applications are expected to check for the availability of optional attributes by the `ReservationTemplate::attributeNames` list.

Implementations **MUST** set all attribute values to `UNSET` on struct allocation. This ensures that both the DRMAA application and the library implementation can determine untouched attribute members. If not described differently in the following sections, all attributes **SHOULD** be allowed to have the `UNSET` value when `ReservationSession::requestReservation` is called.

A language binding specification **SHOULD** model the `ReservationTemplate` representation the same way as the `JobTemplate` interface (see Section 7.4), and therefore **MUST** define the realization of implementation-specific attributes, printing, and the initialization of attribute values.

1226

### 1227 8.2.1 attributeNames

1228 The `attributeNames` list of strings **SHALL** enumerate the names of the required and the supported optional  
 1229 reservation template attributes.

1230

This is especially intended for languages which do not provide an inherit notion of struct introspection and therefore map template attribute access to getter / setter functions.

1231 The support for this attribute is mandatory.

### 1232 8.2.2 reservationName

1233 A human-readable reservation name. If this attribute is omitted then the name of the reservation **SHALL** be  
 1234 automatically defined by the implementation. The implementation **MAY** truncate any application-provided  
 1235 job name to an implementation-defined length.

1236 The support for this attribute is mandatory.

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This doesn't make sense anymore, since reservation templates are now value types.

### 8.2.3 `startTime` / `endTime` / `duration`

The time frame in which resources should be reserved. Table 4 explains the different possible parameter combinations and their semantic.

<code>startTime</code>	<code>endTime</code>	<code>duration</code>	Description
UNSET	UNSET	UNSET	The implementation or the DRM system is free to choose a time frame for the reservation.
Set	UNSET	UNSET	Invalid, SHALL leave to a <code>InvalidAttributeException</code> on the reservation attempt.
UNSET	Set	UNSET	Invalid, SHALL leave to a <code>InvalidAttributeException</code> on the reservation attempt.
Set	Set	UNSET	Perform reservation attempt to get resources in the specified time frame.
UNSET	UNSET	Set	Perform reservation attempt the get resources at least for the time amount given in <code>duration</code> .
Set	UNSET	Set	Implies <code>endTime = startTime + duration</code>
UNSET	Set	Set	Implies <code>startTime = endTime - duration</code>
Set	Set	Set	If <code>endTime - startTime</code> is larger than <code>duration</code> , perform a reservation attempt where the demanded <code>duration</code> is fulfilled at the earliest point in time after <code>startTime</code> , and without extending <code>endTime</code> . If <code>endTime - startTime</code> is smaller than <code>duration</code> , the reservation attempt SHALL leave to a <code>InvalidAttributeException</code> . If <code>endTime - startTime</code> and <code>duration</code> are equal, <code>duration</code> SHALL be ignored.

Table 4: Parameter combinations for the advance reservation time frame. If `duration` is not supported, it should be treated as UNSET.

The support for `startTime` and `endTime` is mandatory. The support for `duration` is optional.

### 8.2.4 `minSlots`

The minimum number of requested slots (see also Section 1.3). If the attribute value is UNSET, it should default to 1.

The support for this attribute is mandatory.

### 8.2.5 `maxSlots`

The maximum number of requested slots (see also Section 1.3). If this attribute is not specified, it should default to the value of `minSlots`.

The support for this attribute is mandatory.

### 8.2.6 `candidateMachines`

Requests that the reservation must be created on any subset of the given list of machines. If this attribute is not specified, it should default to the result of `MonitoringSession::getAllMachines` (see Section 9.1).

The support for this attribute is optional.

### 8.2.7 minPhysMemory

Requests that the reservation must be created with machines that have at least the given amount of physical memory in Kikibyte.

The support for this attribute is optional.

### 8.2.8 machineOS

Requests that the reservation must be created with machines that have the given type of operating system, regardless of its version, with semantics as specified in Section 4.1.

The support for this attribute is optional.

(See footnote)<sup>29</sup>

### 8.2.9 machineArch

Requests that the reservation must be created with machines that have the given instruction set architecture, with semantics as specified in Section 4.2.

The support for this attribute is optional.

### 8.2.10 drmsSpecific

This dictionary attribute allows the application to pass DRMS-specific native options for the advance reservation as key-value pairs. The interpretation of keys and values in this dictionary is implementation-specific, implementations MAY even ignore them. Valid key strings should be documented by the implementation. The order of precedence for the `drmsSpecific` attribute value and other, maybe conflicting, attribute values is implementation-specific. Implementations MAY decide to overrule reservation template settings with the ones defined by the `drmsSpecific` attribute.

The support for this attribute is mandatory.

## 8.3 Reservation Interface

The `Reservation` interface represents attributes and methods available for an advance reservation successfully created in the DRM system.

```
interface Reservation {
    readonly attribute string reservationId;
    readonly attribute ReservationSession session;
    readonly attribute ReservationTemplate reservationTemplate;
    OrderedStringList reservedMachines;
    AbsoluteTime reservedStartTime;
    AbsoluteTime reservedEndTime;
    void terminate();
};
```

---

<sup>29</sup> Requesting a particular operating system version is not supported by the majority of DRM systems (conf call Jul 28th 2010)

1286 (See footnote)<sup>30</sup>

### 1287 8.3.1 reservationId

1288 The **reservationId** is an opaque string identifier for the advance reservation. If the DRM system has  
1289 identifiers for advance reservations, this attribute SHOULD provide the according stringified value. If not,  
1290 the DRMAA implementation MUST generate value this is unique in time and extend of the DRM system.

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### 1292 8.3.2 session

1293 This attribute references the **ReservationSession** which was used to create the advance reservation instance.

### 1294 8.3.3 reservationTemplate

1295 This attribute provides a reference to a **ReservationTemplate** instance that has equal values to the one  
1296 that was used for the advance reservation creating this **Reservation** instance.

### 1297 8.3.4 reservedMachines

1298

1299 This attribute describes the set of machines which was reserved under the conditions described in the  
1300 according reservation template.

Could that  
be UNSET ?

### 1301 8.3.5 reservedStartTime

1302

1303 This attribute describes the start time for the reservation described by this instance.

Could that  
be UNSET ?

### 1304 8.3.6 reservedEndTime

1305

1306 This attribute describes the end time for the reservation described by this instance.

Could that  
be UNSET ?

### 1307 8.3.7 terminate

1308 This method terminates the advance reservation in the DRM system represented by this **Reservation**  
1309 instance. .

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ditional ex-  
planation of  
expected be-  
havior

## 1310 9 Monitoring the DRM System

1311 The DRMAA monitoring facility supports four basic units of monitoring:

- 1312 • Properties of the DRM system as a whole (e.g. DRM system version number) that are independent
- 1313 from the particular session and contact string,

<sup>30</sup> The reason for not having a separate **ReservationInfo** struct is that there are only three relevant attributes for this structure, and that all of them have static semantics. There is, therefore, no need for refetching reservation information several times, which is the case with **JobInfo**. Because of this, the according information can be a part of the **Reservation** interface itself.

- Properties of the DRM system that depend on the current contact string (e.g. list of machines in the currently accessed Grid Engine cell)
- Properties of individual queues known from a `getAllQueues` call
- Properties of individual machines available with the current contact string (e.g. amount of physical memory in a chosen machine)

The `MonitoringSession` interface in DRMAA supports the monitoring of execution resources in the DRM system. This is distinct from the monitoring of jobs running in the DRM system, which is covered by the `JobSession` and the `Job` interface.

## 9.1 MonitoringSession Interface

The `MonitoringSession` interface represents a set of stateless methods for fetching information about the DRM system and the DRMAA implementation itself. It MAY be used to implement DRM system monitoring tools like `qstat`.

```
interface MonitoringSession {
    readonly attribute Version drmsVersion;
    ReservationList getAllReservations();
    JobList getAllJobs(in JobInfo filter);
    QueueList getAllQueues(in StringList names);
    MachineList getAllMachines(in StringList names);
    readonly attribute StringList drmsJobCategoryNames;
};
```

All returned data SHOULD be related to the current user running the DRMAA-based application. For example, the `getAllQueues` function MAY be reduced to only denote queues that are usable or generally accessible for the DRMAA application and user performing the query.

Because no guarantee can be made as to future accessibility, and because of cases where list reduction may demand excessive overhead in the DRMAA implementation, an unreduced or partially reduced result MAY be returned on all methods returning lists. The behavior of the DRMAA implementation in this regard should be clearly documented. In all cases, the list items MUST all be valid input for job submission or advance reservation through the DRMAA API.

### 9.1.1 drmsVersion

This attribute provides the DRM-system specific version information. While the DRM system type is available from the `SessionManager::drmsName` attribute (see Section 6.1), this attribute provides the according version of the product. Applications are expected to use the information about the general DRM system type for accessing product-specific features, e.g. with the `JobTemplate::drmsSpecific` dictionary. Applications are not expected to make decisions based on versioning information from this attribute - instead, the value should only be utilized for informative output to the end user.

### 9.1.2 getAllReservations

This method returns the list of all DRMS advance reservations accessible for the user running the DRMAA-based application. In contrast to a `ReservationSession::getReservations` call, this method SHOULD also return reservations that were created outside of DRMAA (e.g. through command-line tools) by this user.

The returned list MAY also contain reservations that were created by other users if the security policies of the DRM system allow such global visibility. The DRM system or the DRMAA implementation is at liberty, however, to restrict the set of returned reservations based on site or system policies, such as security settings or scheduler load restrictions.

This method SHALL raise an `UnsupportedOperationException` if advance reservation is not supported by the implementation.

### 9.1.3 `getAllJobs`

This method returns the list of all DRMS jobs visible to the user running the DRMAA-based application. In contrast to a `JobSession::getJobs` call, this method SHOULD also return jobs that were submitted outside of DRMAA (e.g. through command-line tools) by this user. The returned list MAY also contain jobs that were submitted by other users if the security policies of the DRM system allow such global visibility. The DRM system or the DRMAA implementation is at liberty, however, to restrict the set of returned jobs based on site or system policies, such as security settings or scheduler load restrictions.

Querying the DRM system for all jobs might result in returning an excessive number of `Job` objects. Implications to the library implementation are out of scope for this specification.

The method supports a `filter` argument for fetching only a subset of the job information available. Both the return value semantics and the filter semantics SHOULD be similar to the ones described for the `JobSession::getJobs` method (see Section 7.2).

Language bindings SHOULD NOT try to solve the scalability issues by replacing the sequence type of the return value with some iterator-like solution. This approach would break the basic snapshot semantic intended for this method.

(See footnote)<sup>31</sup>

### 9.1.4 `getAllQueues`

This method returns a list of queues available for job submission in the DRM system. All `Queue` instances in this list SHOULD be (based on their `name` attribute) a valid input for the `JobTemplate::queueName` attribute (see Section 7.4). The result can be an empty list or might be incomplete, based on queue, host, or system policies. It might also contain queues that are not accessible for the user (because of queue configuration limits) at job submission time.

The `names` parameter supports restricting the result to `Queue` instances that have one of the names given in the argument. If the `names` parameter value is `UNSET`, all `Queue` instances should be returned.

### 9.1.5 `getAllMachines`

This method returns the list of machines available in the DRM system as execution host. The returned list might be empty or incomplete based on machine or system policies. The returned list might also contain machines that are not accessible by the user, e.g. because of host configuration limits.

The `names` parameter supports restricting the result to `Machine` instances that have one of the names given in the argument. If the `names` parameter value is `UNSET`, all `Machine` instances should be returned.

<sup>31</sup> The non-argumentation about the scalability problem was the final result of a clarification attempt. We hand this one over to the implementors. (conf call Jul 14th 2010)

### 9.1.6 drmsJobCategoryNames

This method provides the list of valid job category names which can be used for the `jobCategory` attribute in a job template. The semantics are described in Section 7.4.8.

## 10 Annex A: Complete DRMAA IDL Specification

The following text shows the complete IDL specification for the DRMAAv2 application programming interface. The ordering of IDL constructs here has no normative meaning, but ensures the correct compilation with a standard CORBA IDL compiler for syntactical correctness checks. This demands only some additional forward declarations to resolve circular dependencies.

```

module DRMAA2 {

    enum JobState {
        UNDETERMINED, QUEUED, QUEUED_HELD, RUNNING, SUSPENDED, REQUEUED,
        REQUEUED_HELD, DONE, FAILED};

    enum OperatingSystem {
        HPUX, LINUX, IRIX, TRUE64, MACOS, SUNOS, WIN, WINNT, AIX, UNIXWARE,
        BSD, OTHER_OS};

    enum CpuArchitecture {
        ALPHA, ARM, CELL, PARISC, X86, X64, IA64, MIPS, PPC, PPC64,
        SPARC, SPARC64, OTHER_CPU};

    enum ResourceLimitType {
        CORE_FILE_SIZE, CPU_TIME, DATA_SEG_SIZE, FILE_SIZE, OPEN_FILES,
        STACK_SIZE, VIRTUAL_MEMORY, WALLCLOCK_TIME };

    enum JobTemplatePlaceholder {
        HOME_DIRECTORY, WORKING_DIRECTORY, HOST_NAME, USER_NAME, PARAMETRIC_INDEX };

    enum DrmaaEvent {
        NEW_STATE, MIGRATED, ATTRIBUTE_CHANGE
    };

    typedef sequence<string> OrderedStringList;
    typedef sequence<string> StringList;
    typedef sequence<Job> JobList;
    typedef sequence<Queue> QueueList;
    typedef sequence<Machine> MachineList;
    typedef sequence<Reservation> ReservationList;
    typedef sequence< sequence<string,2> > Dictionary;
    typedef string AbsoluteTime;
    typedef long long TimeAmount;
    native ZERO_TIME;
    native INFINITE_TIME;

```

```
1423 struct JobInfo {
1424     string jobId;
1425     Dictionary resourceUsage;
1426     long exitStatus;
1427     string terminatingSignal;
1428     string annotation;
1429     JobState jobState;
1430     any jobSubState;
1431     OrderedStringList allocatedMachines;
1432     string submissionMachine;
1433     string jobOwner;
1434     string queueName;
1435     TimeAmount wallclockTime;
1436     long cpuTime;
1437     AbsoluteTime submissionTime;
1438     AbsoluteTime dispatchTime;
1439     AbsoluteTime finishTime;};

1440 struct JobTemplate {
1441     StringList attributeNames;
1442     string remoteCommand;
1443     OrderedStringList args;
1444     boolean submitAsHold;
1445     boolean rerunnable;
1446     Dictionary jobEnvironment;
1447     string workingDirectory;
1448     string jobCategory;
1449     StringList email;
1450     boolean emailOnStarted;
1451     boolean emailOnTerminated;
1452     string jobName;
1453     string inputPath;
1454     string outputPath;
1455     string errorPath;
1456     boolean joinFiles;
1457     string reservationId;
1458     string queueName;
1459     long minSlots;
1460     long maxSlots;
1461     long priority;
1462     OrderedStringList candidateMachines;
1463     long minPhysMemory;
1464     OperatingSystem machineOS;
1465     CpuArchitecture machineArch;
1466     AbsoluteTime startTime;
1467     Dictionary drmsSpecific;
1468     AbsoluteTime deadlineTime;
1469     Dictionary stageInFiles;
```



```
1470     Dictionary stageOutFiles;
1471     Dictionary softResourceLimits;
1472     Dictionary hardResourceLimits;
1473     string accountingId;
1474 };

1475 struct ReservationTemplate {
1476     StringList attributeNames;
1477     string reservationName;
1478     AbsoluteTime startTime;
1479     AbsoluteTime endTime;
1480     TimeAmount duration;
1481     long minSlots;
1482     long maxSlots;
1483     OrderedStringList candidateMachines;
1484     long minPhysMemory;
1485     OperatingSystem machineOS;
1486     CpuArchitecture machineArch;
1487     Dictionary drmsSpecific;
1488 };

1489 struct DrmaaNotification {
1490     DrmaaEvent event;
1491     Job job;
1492     JobState jobState;
1493 };

1494 struct Queue {
1495     string name;
1496     TimeAmount maxWallclockTime;
1497 };

1498 struct Version {
1499     string major;
1500     string minor;
1501 };

1502 struct Machine {
1503     string name;
1504     long sockets;
1505     long coresPerSocket;
1506     long threadsPerCore;
1507     double load;
1508     long physMemory;
1509     long virtMemory;
1510     OperatingSystem machineOS;
1511     Version machineOSVersion;
1512     CpuArchitecture machineArch;
1513 };
```

```
1514     exception DeniedByDrmException {string message;};
1515     exception DrmCommunicationException {string message;};
1516     exception TryLaterException {string message;};
1517     exception SessionManagementException {string message;};
1518     exception TimeoutException {string message;};
1519     exception InternalException {string message;};
1520     exception InvalidArgumentException {string message;};
1521     exception InvalidSessionException {string message;};
1522     exception InvalidStateException {string message;};
1523     exception OutOfMemoryException {string message;};
1524     exception UnsupportedAttributeException {string message;};
1525     exception UnsupportedOperationException {string message;};

1526     interface DrmaaCallback {
1527         void notify(in DrmaaNotification notification);
1528     };

1529     interface ReservationSession {
1530         readonly attribute string contact;
1531         readonly attribute string sessionName;
1532         Reservation getReservation(in string reservationId);
1533         Reservation requestReservation(in ReservationTemplate reservationTemplate);
1534         ReservationList getReservations();
1535     };

1536     interface Reservation {
1537         readonly attribute string reservationId;
1538         readonly attribute ReservationSession session;
1539         readonly attribute ReservationTemplate reservationTemplate;
1540         OrderedStringList reservedMachines;
1541         AbsoluteTime reservedStartTime;
1542         AbsoluteTime reservedEndTime;
1543         void terminate();
1544     };

1545     interface JobArray {
1546         readonly attribute string jobArrayId;
1547         readonly attribute JobList jobs;
1548         readonly attribute JobSession session;
1549         readonly attribute JobTemplate jobTemplate;
1550         void suspend();
1551         void resume();
1552         void hold();
1553         void release();
1554         void terminate();
1555     };
```

```

1556 interface JobSession {
1557     readonly attribute string contact;
1558     readonly attribute string sessionName;
1559     readonly attribute boolean notificationSupported;
1560     JobList getJobs(in JobInfo filter);
1561     Job runJob(in JobTemplate jobTemplate);
1562     JobArray runBulkJobs(
1563         in JobTemplate jobTemplate,
1564         in long beginIndex,
1565         in long endIndex,
1566         in long step);
1567     Job waitAnyStarted(in JobList jobs, in TimeAmount timeout);
1568     Job waitAnyTerminated(in JobList jobs, in TimeAmount timeout);
1569     void registerEventNotification(in DrmaaCallback callback);
1570 };

1571 interface Job {
1572     readonly attribute string jobId;
1573     readonly attribute JobSession session;
1574     readonly attribute JobTemplate jobTemplate;
1575     void suspend();
1576     void resume();
1577     void hold();
1578     void release();
1579     void terminate();
1580     JobState getState(out any jobSubState);
1581     JobInfo getInfo();
1582     Job waitStarted(in TimeAmount timeout);
1583     Job waitTerminated(in TimeAmount timeout);
1584 };

1585 interface MonitoringSession {
1586     readonly attribute Version drmsVersion;
1587     ReservationList getAllReservations();
1588     JobList getAllJobs(in JobInfo filter);
1589     QueueList getAllQueues(in StringList names);
1590     MachineList getAllMachines(in StringList names);
1591     readonly attribute StringList drmsJobCategoryNames;
1592 };

1593 interface SessionManager{
1594     readonly attribute string drmsName;
1595     readonly attribute Version drmaaVersion;
1596     readonly attribute boolean reservationSupported;
1597     JobSession createJobSession(in string sessionName,
1598                                in string contactString);
1599     ReservationSession createReservationSession(in string sessionName,
1600                                                in string contactString);

```

```

1601     MonitoringSession createMonitoringSession (in string contactString);
1602     JobSession openJobSession(in string sessionName);
1603     ReservationSession openReservationSession(in string sessionName);
1604     void closeJobSession(in JobSession s);
1605     void closeReservationSession(in ReservationSession s);
1606     void closeMonitoringSession(in MonitoringSession s);
1607     void destroyJobSession(in string sessionName);
1608     void destroyReservationSession(in string sessionName);
1609     StringList getJobSessions();
1610     StringList getReservationSessions();
1611 };
1612 };

```

## 1613 11 Security Considerations

1614 The DRMAA API does not specifically assume the existence of a particular security infrastructure in the  
 1615 DRM system. The scheduling scenario described herein presumes that security is handled at the point of job  
 1616 authorization/execution on a particular resource. It is assumed that credentials owned by the application  
 1617 using the API are in effect for the DRMAA implementation too.

1618 It is conceivable an authorized but malicious user could use a DRMAA implementation or a DRMAA enabled  
 1619 application to saturate a DRM system with a flood of requests. Unfortunately for the DRM system this  
 1620 case is not distinguishable from the case of an authorized good-natured user who has many jobs to be  
 1621 processed. For temporary load defense, implementations SHOULD utilize the `TryLaterException`. In case  
 1622 of permanent issues, the implementation SHOULD raise the `DeniedByDrmException`.

1623 DRMAA implementers should guard against buffer overflows that could be exploited through DRMAA  
 1624 enabled interactive applications or web portals. Implementations of the DRMAA API will most likely  
 1625 require a network to coordinate subordinate DRMS; however the API makes no assumptions about the  
 1626 security posture provided the networking environment. Therefore, application developers should further  
 1627 consider the security implications of “on-the-wire” communications.

1628 For environments that allow remote or protocol based DRMAA clients, the implementation SHOULD offer  
 1629 support for secure transport layers to prevent man in the middle attacks.

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