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⁶ (See footnote)¹

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.

¹ 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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67 1 Introduction

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

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

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

80 The DRMAA specification is based on the following stakeholders:

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

95 1.1 Notational Conventions

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

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

99 Memory quantities are expressed in *kibibyte (KiB)*, the unit established by the International Electrotechnical
100 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.

101 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 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.

102

103 (See footnote)²

104 1.3 Slots and Queues

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

² 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)³112

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)⁴126

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.

³ 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).

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

¹⁴² **StringList:** An unbounded list of strings, without any demand on element order.

¹⁴³ **JobList:** An unbounded list of **Job** instances, without any demand on element order.

¹⁴⁴ **MachineList:** An unbounded list of **Machine** instances, without any demand on element order.

¹⁴⁵ **QueueList:** An unbounded list of **Queue** instances, without any demand on element order.

¹⁴⁶ **ReservationList:** An unbounded list of **Reservation** instances, without any demand on element order.

¹⁴⁷ **Dictionary:** An unbounded dictionary type for storing key-value pairs, without any demand on element order.

¹⁴⁸ **AbsoluteTime:** Expression of a point in time, with a resolution at least to seconds.

¹⁴⁹ **TimeAmount:** Expression of an amount of time, with a resolution at least to seconds.

¹⁵⁰ **ZERO_TIME:** A constant value of type **TimeAmount** that expresses a zero amount of time.

¹⁵¹ **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.

¹⁵³ (See footnote)⁵

¹⁵⁴ 4 Common Data Structures and Enumerations

¹⁵⁵ 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.

¹⁶⁰ (See footnote)⁶

⁵ 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)

⁶ 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.

161 **4.1 OperatingSystem enumeration**

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

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

170 **AIX:** AIX Unix by IBM.

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

181 **OTHER_OS:** An operating system type not specified in this list.

182
 183 Implementations SHOULD NOT add new operating system identifiers to this enumeration, even if they are
 184 supported by the underlying DRM system.

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

- 187 • The Apple MacOS X operating system commonly denoted as “Snow Leopard” would be reported as
 188 “MACOS” with the version structure [“10”, “6”]
- 189 • The Microsoft Windows 7 operating system would be reported as “WINNT” with the version infor-
 190 mation [“6”, “1”], which is the internal version number reported by the Windows API.
- 191 • All Linux distributions would be reported as operating system type “LINUX” with the major revision
 192 of the kernel, such as [“2”, “6”].
- 193 • The Solaris operating system is reported as “SUNOS”, together with the internal version number, e.g.
 194 [“5”, “10”] for Solaris 10.

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

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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` enumeration197

4.2 CpuArchitecture enumeration

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

203

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

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

207 **ARM:** The ARM processor architecture.

208 **CELL:** The Cell processor architecture.

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

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

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

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

213 **MIPS:** The MIPS processor architecture.

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

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

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

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

218 **OTHER_CPU:** A processor architecture not specified in this list.

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

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

DRMAA <code>CpuArchitecture</code> value	JSIDL <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

225 4.3 `ResourceLimitType` enumeration

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

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

233 **CORE_FILE_SIZE:** The maximum size of the core dump file created on fatal errors of the process, in
 234 Kibibyte. Setting this value to zero SHOULD disable the creation of core dump files on the execution
 235 host.

236 **CPU_TIME:** The maximum accumulated time in seconds the process is allowed to perform computations
 237 on all processors in the execution host.

238 **DATA_SEG_SIZE:** The maximum amount of memory the process can allocate on the heap e.g. for object
 239 creation, in Kibibyte.

240 **FILE_SIZE:** The maximum file size the process can generate, in Kibibyte.

241 **OPEN_FILES:** The maximum number of file descriptors the process is allowed to have open at the same
 242 time.

243 **STACK_SIZE:** The maximum amount of memory the process can allocate on the stack, e.g. for local
244 variables, in Kibibyte.

245 **VIRTUAL_MEMORY:** The maximum amount of memory the process is allowed to allocate, in Kibibyte.

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

248

249

250 (See footnote)⁷

251 4.4 JobTemplatePlaceholder enumeration

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

270 (See footnote)⁸

271 4.5 Queue structure

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

⁷ “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.

⁸ 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

286 4.6 Version structure

287 The **Version** structure denotes versioning information for an operating system, DRM system, or DRMAA
288 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 operating
322 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 the
327 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 attribute describes the 1-minute average load on the given machine, similar to the Unix *uptime* command.
334 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.

346 4.7.8 machineOS

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

349 4.7.9 machineOSVersion

350 This attribute describes the operating system version of the machine, with semantics as specified in Section
 351 4.1.

352 4.7.10 machineArch

353 This attribute describes the instruction set architecture of the machine, with semantics as specified in Section
 354 4.2.

355 4.8 JobInfo structure

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

```
357 struct JobInfo {
 358     string jobId;
 359     Dictionary resourceUsage;
 360     long exitStatus;
 361     string terminatingSignal;
 362     string annotation;
 363     JobState jobState;
 364     any jobSubState;
 365     OrderedStringList allocatedMachines;
 366     string submissionMachine;
 367     string jobOwner;
 368     string queueName;
 369     TimeAmount wallclockTime;
 370     long cpuTime;
 371     AbsoluteTime submissionTime;
 372     AbsoluteTime dispatchTime;
 373     AbsoluteTime finishTime;};
```

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

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

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

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

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

389 (See footnote)⁹

390 4.8.1 `jobId`

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

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

393 4.8.2 `resourceUsage`

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

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

397 Standardize
resource
usage key
names ?!?

398 4.8.3 `exitStatus`

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

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

403 4.8.4 `terminatingSignal`

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

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

408 4.8.5 `annotation`

409 For monitoring: Gives a human-readable annotation describing why the job is in its current state or sub-state.

410 The support for this information is optional.

411 For filtering: This attribute is ignored for filtering.

⁹ 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).

412 4.8.6 jobState

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

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

418 4.8.7 jobSubState

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

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

424 4.8.8 allocatedMachines

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

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

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

433 4.8.9 submissionMachine

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

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

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

439 4.8.10 jobOwner

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

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

442 4.8.11 queueName

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

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

445 4.8.12 wallclockTime

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

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

449 4.8.13 cpuTime

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

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

453 4.8.14 submissionTime

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

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

457 4.8.15 dispatchTime

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

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

461 4.8.16 finishTime

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

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

464

465 5 Common Exceptions

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

```
468 exception DeniedByDrmException {string message;};
469 exception DrmCommunicationException {string message;};
470 exception TryLaterException {string message;};
471 exception SessionManagementException {string message;};
472 exception TimeoutException {string message;};
473 exception InternalException {string message;};
474 exception InvalidArgumentException {string message;};
475 exception InvalidSessionException {string message;};
476 exception InvalidStateException {string message;};
477 exception OutOfMemoryException {string message;};
478 exception UnsupportedAttributeException {string message};
```

Same discussion as above

Resolve how
to report slot
assignments
for jobs

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 .

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

We might want to introduce **InvalidTemplate** for separating input parameter issues

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 chose 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)¹⁰

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 sessionId,
 517                               in string contactString);
 518   ReservationSession createReservationSession(in string sessionId,
 519                                              in string contactString);
 520   MonitoringSession createMonitoringSession (in string contactString);
```

¹⁰ 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 sessionId);
522     ReservationSession openReservationSession(in string sessionId);
523     void closeJobSession(in JobSession s);
524     void closeReservationSession(in ReservationSession s);
525     void closeMonitoringSession(in MonitoringSession s);
526     void destroyJobSession(in string sessionId);
527     void destroyReservationSession(in string sessionId);
528     StringList getJobSessions();
529     StringList getReservationSessions();
530 }

```

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

534 Job and reservation sessions maintain persistent state information (about jobs and reservations created)
 535 between application runs. State data SHOULD be persisted by the library implementation or the DRMS
 536 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.
 538 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
 540 according destroy method in the **SessionManager** interface. If an implementation runs out of resources for
 541 storing the session information, the closing function SHOULD throw a **SessionManagementException**. If
 542 an application ends without closing the session properly, the behavior of the DRMAA implementation is
 543 undefined.

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

547 (See footnote)¹¹

548 6.1.1 drmsName

549 A system identifier denoting a specific type of DRM system, e.g. “LSF” or “GridWay”. It is intended
 550 to support conditional code blocks in the DRMAA application that rely on DRMS-specific details of the
 551 DRMAA implementation. Implementations SHOULD NOT make versioning information of the particular
 552 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
 555 version number MUST be the constant value “2”, the minor version number SHOULD be used by the

¹¹ 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)¹²

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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 configura-
572 tion 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`.

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

590 6.1.6 `closeJobSession / closeReservationSession / closeMonitoringSession`

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

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

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

599 6.1.7 `destroyJobSession / destroyReservationSession`

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

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

607 6.1.8 `getJobSessions / getReservationSessions`

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

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

612 7 Working with Jobs

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

619 7.1 The DRMAA State Model

620 DRMAA defines the following job states:

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

624 **UNDETERMINED:** The job status cannot be determined. This is a permanent issue, not being solvable
 625 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.

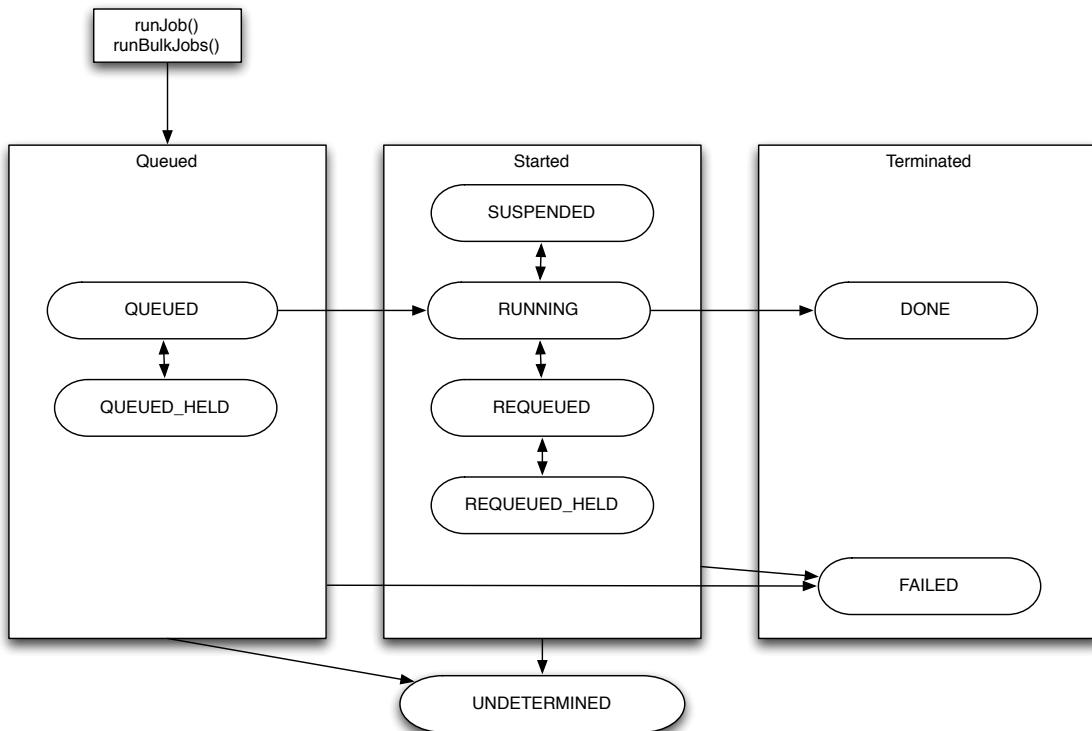


Figure 1: DRMAA Job State Transition Model

640 The transition diagram in Figure 1 expresses the classification 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

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

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

647 When an application requests job state information, the implementation SHOULD also provide the **subState**
648 value to explain DRM-specific information about the job state. The possible values of this attribute are
649 implementation-specific, but should be documented properly. Examples are extra states for staging phases
650 or details on the hold reason. Implementations SHOULD define a DRMS-specific data structure for the
651 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.

652 The DRMAA job state model can be mapped to other high-level API state models. Table 3 gives a non-
653 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 state mapping

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655 (See footnote)¹³

¹³ 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).

656 7.2 JobSession Interface

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

```
660 interface JobSession {
  661   readonly attribute string contact;
  662   readonly attribute string sessionName;
  663   readonly attribute boolean notificationSupported;
  664   JobList getJobs(in JobInfo filter);
  665   Job runJob(in JobTemplate jobTemplate);
  666   JobArray runBulkJobs(
  667     in JobTemplate jobTemplate,
  668     in long beginIndex,
  669     in long endIndex,
  670     in long step);
  671   Job waitAnyStarted(in JobList jobs, in TimeAmount timeout);
  672   Job waitAnyTerminated(in JobList jobs, in TimeAmount timeout);
  673   void registerEventNotification(in DrmaaCallback callback);
  674 };
```

675 (See footnote)¹⁴

676 7.2.1 contact

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

680 7.2.2 sessionName

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

¹⁴ 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).

683 7.2.3 notificationSupported

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

686

687 7.2.4 getJobs

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

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

696 7.2.5 runJob

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

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

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

706 7.2.6 runBulkJobs

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

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

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

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

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

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

722 (See footnote)¹⁵

7.2.7 `waitAnyStarted` / `waitAnyTerminated`

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

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

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

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

742 (See footnote)¹⁶

7.2.8 `registerEventNotification`

744 This method is used to register a `DrmaaCallback` interface (see Section 7.3) implemented by the DRMAA-
 745 based application. If the callback functionality is not supported by the DRMAA implementation, the method
 746 SHALL raise an `UnsupportedOperationException`. Implementations MAY support the registration of
 747 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.

¹⁵ 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.

¹⁶ People typically ask for the `waitForAll()` 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 the intended long-blocking operation, the DRM system would not be able to offer any better (meaning much faster) implementation to be wrapped by DRMAA.

748

7.3 DrmaaCallback Interface

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

```
753     interface DrmaaCallback {
754         void notify(in DrmaaNotification notification);
755     };
756
757     struct DrmaaNotification {
758         DrmaaEvent event;
759         Job job;
760         JobState jobState;
761     };
762
763     enum DrmaaEvent {
764         NEW_STATE, MIGRATED, ATTRIBUTE_CHANGE
765     };
766
767     
```

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

772 The DrmaaEvent enumeration defines standard event types for notification:

773 **NEW_STATE** The job entered a new state, which is described in the jobState attribute of the notification
 774 structure.

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

776 **ATTRIBUTE_CHANGE** A monitoring attribute of the job, such as the memory consumption, changed
 777 to a new value. The jobState attribute MAY have the value UNSET on this event.

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

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

784 (See footnote)¹⁷

785

7.4 JobTemplate Structure

800 In order to define the attributes associated with a job, a DRMAA application uses the JobTemplate struc-
 801 ture. It specifies any required job parameters and is passed to the DRMAA JobSession instance when job
 802 execution is requested.

¹⁷ We intentionally did not add `subState` to the notification information, since this would make callback interface implemen-
 tations 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. Mandatory attributes MUST be supported by the implementation in the sense that they are evaluated on job submission. Optional attributes MAY be evaluated on job submission, but MUST be provided as part of the JobTemplate structure in the implementation. If an unsupported optional attribute has a value different to UNSET, the job submission MUST fail with a `UnsupportedAttributeException`. DRMAA applications are 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 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 on job submission.

830 An implementation SHALL NOT extend the `JobTemplate` structure with implementation-specific attributes,
 831 but SHOULD support 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)¹⁸

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 doesn't 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.

¹⁸ 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.

847 7.4.3 args

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

849 The support for this attribute is mandatory.

850 7.4.4 submitAsHold

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

853 The support for this attribute is mandatory.

854 7.4.5 rerunnable

855 This flag indicates if the submitted job(s) can safely be restarted by the DRM system, for example on a
856 node failure or some other re-scheduling event. Since the boolean UNSET value defaults to False, jobs are
857 submitted as not rerunnable if this attribute is not set. This attribute SHOULD NOT be used by the
858 implementation to let the application denote the checkpointability of a job.How should
check-
pointability
be denoted ?859
860 The support for this attribute is mandatory.861 (See footnote)¹⁹

862 7.4.6 jobEnvironment

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

865 The support for this attribute is mandatory.

866 7.4.7 workingDirectory

867 This attribute specifies the directory where the job or the bulk jobs are executed. If the attribute value
868 is UNSET, the behavior is implementation dependent. Otherwise, the attribute value MUST be evaluated
869 relative to the file system on the execution host. The attribute value MUST be allowed to contain either the
870 JobTemplatePlaceholder::HOME_DIRECTORY or the JobTemplatePlaceholder::PARAMETRIC_INDEX place-
871 holder (see Section 4.4).872 The workingDirectory attribute should be specified by the application in a syntax that is common at the
873 host where the job is executed. Implementations MAY perform according validity checks on job submission.
874 If the attribute is set and no placeholder is used, an absolute directory specification is expected. If the
875 attribute is set and the job was submitted successfully and the directory does not exist on the execution
876 host, the job MUST enter the state JobState::FAILED.

877 The support for this attribute is mandatory.

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

878 7.4.8 jobCategory

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

899 The support for this attribute is mandatory.

900 7.4.9 drmsSpecific

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

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

906 The support for this attribute is mandatory.

907 7.4.10 email

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

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

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

915

916 (See footnote)²⁰

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.

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

946 7.4.15 `stageInFiles` / `stageOutFiles`

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

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

955 All values MUST be evaluated relative to the file system on the host in a syntax that is common at that
 956 host. Implementations MAY perform according validity checks on job submission. Paths on the execution
 957 host(s) MUST be allowed to contain any of the `JobTemplatePlaceholder` placeholders. Paths on the sub-
 958 mission host MUST be allowed to contain the `JobTemplatePlaceholder::PARAMETRIC_INDEX` placeholder
 959 (see Section 4.4). If no placeholder is used in the values, an absolute path specification on the particular
 960 host SHOULD be assumed by the implementation.

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

964 The support for this attribute is optional.

965

966 (See footnote)²¹

967 7.4.16 `reservationId`

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

972 The support for this attribute is mandatory.

973 7.4.17 `queueName`

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

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

²¹ Comparsion 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)²²

1020 7.4.23 machineArch

1021 This attribute denotes the expected machine architecture on the / all execution host(s). If this resource de-
 1022 mand cannot be fulfilled, an `InvalidArgumentException` SHOULD be raised on job submission time. If the
 1023 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)²³

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

²³ 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.

1046 7.4.27 accountingId

1047 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
 1048 information in addition to the implementation-specific authentication (see Section 11).

1050 The support for this attribute is optional.

1051 7.5 Job Interface

1052 Every job in the `JobSession` is expressed by an own instance of the `Job` interface. It allows one to instruct
 1053 the DRM system for a job status change, and to query the status attributes of the job in the DRM system.

```
1054 interface Job {
1055     readonly attribute string jobId;
1056     readonly attribute JobSession session;
1057     readonly attribute JobTemplate jobTemplate;
1058     void suspend();
1059     void resume();
1060     void hold();
1061     void release();
1062     void terminate();
1063     JobState getState(out any jobSubState);
1064     JobInfo getInfo();
1065     Job waitStarted(in TimeAmount timeout);
1066     Job waitTerminated(in TimeAmount timeout);
1067 };
```

1068 (See footnote)²⁴

1069 7.5.1 jobId

1070 This attribute provides the string job identifier assigned to the job by the DRM system. It is intended as
 1071 performant alternative for fetching a complete `JobInfo` instance for this information.

1072 7.5.2 session

1073 This attribute offers a reference to the `JobSession` instance that represents the session used for the job
 1074 submission creating this `Job` instance.

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).

²⁴ 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.

1075 7.5.3 jobTemplate

1076 This attribute provides a reference to a `JobTemplate` instance that has equal values to the one that was
 1077 used for the job submission creating this `Job` instance.

1078 7.5.4 suspend / resume / hold / release / terminate

1079 The job control functions allow modifying the status of the single job in the DRM system, according to the
 1080 state model presented in Section 7.1.

1081 The `suspend` method triggers a transition from `RUNNING` to `SUSPENDED` state. The `resume` method triggers
 1082 a transition from `SUSPENDED` to `RUNNING` state. The `hold` method triggers a transition from `QUEUED` to
 1083 `QUEUED_HELD`, or from `REQUEUED` to `REQUEUED_HELD` state. The `release` method triggers a transition from
 1084 `QUEUED_HELD` to `QUEUED`, or from `REQUEUED_HELD` to `REQUEUED` state. The `terminate` method triggers a
 1085 transition from any of the “Started” states to one of the “Terminated” states. If the job is in an inappropriate
 1086 state for the particular method, the method MUST raise an `InvalidStateException`.

1087 The methods SHOULD return after the action has been acknowledged by the DRM system, but MAY
 1088 return before the action has been completed. Some DRMAA implementations MAY allow this method
 1089 to be used to control jobs submitted externally to the DRMAA session, such as jobs submitted by other
 1090 DRMAA sessions in other DRMAA implementations or jobs submitted via native utilities. This behavior is
 1091 implementation-specific.

1092 7.5.5 getState

1093 This method allows one to gather the current status of the job according to the DRMAA state model,
 1094 together with an implementation specific sub state (see Section 7.1). It is intended as performant alternative
 1095 for fetching a complete `JobInfo` instance for state checks. The timing conditions are described in Section
 1096 4.8.

1097 (See footnote)²⁵

1098 7.5.6 getInfo

1099 This method returns a `JobInfo` instance for the particular job under the conditions described in Section 4.8.

1100 7.5.7 waitStarted / waitTerminated

1101 The `waitStarted` method blocks until the job entered one of the “Started” states. The `waitTerminated`
 1102 method blocks until the job entered one of the “Terminated” states (see Section 7.1). The `timeout` argument
 1103 specifies the desired behavior when a result is not immediately available. The constant value `INFINITE_TIME`
 1104 may be specified to wait indefinitely for a result. The constant value `ZERO_TIME` may be specified to return
 1105 immediately. Alternatively, a number of seconds may be specified to indicate how long to wait for a result to
 1106 become available. If the invocation exits on timeout, an `TimeoutException` SHALL be raised. If the job is
 1107 in an inappropriate state for the particular method, the method MUST raise an `InvalidStateException`.

²⁵ 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).

1108

7.6 JobArray Interface

1109 The following section explains the set of methods and attributes defined in the `JobArray` interface. Any
 1110 instance of this interface represent an *job array*, a common concept in many DRM systems for a job set created
 1111 by one operation. In DRMAA, `JobArray` instances are only created by the `runBulkJobs` operation (see
 1112 Section 7.2). `JobArray` instances differ from the `JobList` data structure due to their potential for representing
 1113 a DRM system concept, while `JobList` is a DRMAA-only concept mainly realized by the language binding
 1114 sequence support. Implementations SHOULD realize the `JobArray` functionality as wrapper for DRM system
 1115 job arrays, if possible. If the DRM system has only single job support or incomplete job array support with
 1116 respect to the DRMAA-provided functionality, implementations MUST realize the `JobArray` functionality
 1117 on their own, for example based on looped operations with a list of jobs.

```
1118   interface JobArray {
1119     readonly attribute string jobArrayId;
1120     readonly attribute JobList jobs;
1121     readonly attribute JobSession session;
1122     readonly attribute JobTemplate jobTemplate;
1123     void suspend();
1124     void resume();
1125     void hold();
1126     void release();
1127     void terminate();
1128   };
1129
```

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1130 (See footnote)²⁶

1131

7.6.1 jobArrayId

1132 This attribute provides the string job identifier assigned to the job array by the DRM system. If the DRM
 1133 system has no job array support, the implementation MUST generate a system-wide unique identifier for
 1134 the result of the successful `runBulkJobs` operation.

1135

7.6.2 jobs

1136 This attribute provides the static list of jobs that are part of the job array.

1137 (See footnote)²⁷

1138

7.6.3 session

1139 This attribute offers a reference to a `JobSession` instance that represents the session which was used for the
 1140 job submission creating this `JobArray` instance.

²⁶ 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.

²⁷ 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)²⁸

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`.

²⁸ 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 }

```

1214 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
 1215 are evaluated in a `ReservationSession::requestReservation` call. Optional attributes MAY NOT be
 1216 evaluated in a particular implementation, but MUST be provided as part of the `ReservationTemplate`
 1217 structure in the implementation. If an optional attribute is not evaluated by the particular implementation,
 1218 but has a value different to `UNSET`, the call to `ReservationSession::requestReservation` MUST fail with
 1219 a `UnsupportedAttributeException`. DRMAA applications are expected to check for the availability of
 1220 optional attributes by the `ReservationTemplate::attributeNames` list.

1222 Implementations MUST set all attribute values to `UNSET` on struct allocation. This ensures that both the
 1223 DRMAA application and the library implementation can determine untouched attribute members. If not
 1224 described differently in the following sections, all attributes SHOULD be allowed to have the `UNSET` value
 1225 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.

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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.

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

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.

1237 8.2.3 `startTime / endTime / duration`1238 The time frame in which resources should be reserved. Table 4 explains the different possible parameter
1239 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.1240 The support for `startTime` and `endTime` is mandatory. The support for `duration` is optional.1241 8.2.4 `minSlots`1242 The minimum number of requested slots (see also Section 1.3). If the attribute value is UNSET, it should
1243 default to 1.

1244 The support for this attribute is mandatory.

1245 8.2.5 `maxSlots`1246 The maximum number of requested slots (see also Section 1.3). If this attribute is not specified, it should
1247 default to the value of `minSlots`.

1248 The support for this attribute is mandatory.

1249 8.2.6 `candidateMachines`1250 Requests that the reservation must be created on any subset of the given list of machines. If this attribute
1251 is not specified, it should default to the result of `MonitoringSession::getAllMachines` (see Section 9.1).

1252 The support for this attribute is optional.

1253 8.2.7 minPhysMemory

1254 Requests that the reservation must be created with machines that have at least the given amount of physical
 1255 memory in Kibibyte.

1256 The support for this attribute is optional.

1257 8.2.8 machineOS

1258 Requests that the reservation must be created with machines that have the given type of operating system,
 1259 regardless of its version, with semantics as specified in Section 4.1.

1260 The support for this attribute is optional.

1261 (See footnote)²⁹

1262 8.2.9 machineArch

1263 Requests that the reservation must be created with machines that have the given instruction set architecture,
 1264 with semantics as specified in Section 4.2.

1265 The support for this attribute is optional.

1266 8.2.10 drmsSpecific

1267 This dictionary attribute allows the application to pass DRMS-specific native options for the advance reservation
 1268 as key-value pairs. The interpretation of keys and values in this dictionary is implementation-specific,
 1269 implementations MAY even ignore them. Valid key strings should be documented by the implementation.
 1270 The order of precedence for the drmsSpecific attribute value and other, maybe conflicting, attribute values
 1271 is implementation-specific. Implementations MAY decide to overrule reservation template settings with the
 1272 ones defined by the drmsSpecific attribute.

1273 The support for this attribute is mandatory.

1274 8.3 Reservation Interface

1275 The **Reservation** interface represents attributes and methods available for an advance reservation successfully
 1276 created in the DRM system.

```
1277 interface Reservation {
1278     readonly attribute string reservationId;
1279     readonly attribute ReservationSession session;
1280     readonly attribute ReservationTemplate reservationTemplate;
1281     OrderedStringList reservedMachines;
1282     AbsoluteTime reservedStartTime;
1283     AbsoluteTime reservedEndTime;
1284     void terminate();
1285 };
```

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

1286 (See footnote)³⁰

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.

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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.

1301 **8.3.5 reservedStartTime**

1302

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

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be UNSET ?

1304 **8.3.6 reservedEndTime**

1305

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

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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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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,

³⁰ 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.

1353 The returned list MAY also contain reservations that were created by other users if the security policies of
 1354 the DRM system allow such global visibility. The DRM system or the DRMAA implementation is at liberty,
 1355 however, to restrict the set of returned reservations based on site or system policies, such as security settings
 1356 or scheduler load restrictions.

1357 This method SHALL raise an `UnsupportedOperationException` if advance reservation is not supported by
 1358 the implementation.

1359 **9.1.3 getAllJobs**

1360 This method returns the list of all DRMS jobs visible to the user running the DRMAA-based application. In
 1361 contrast to a `JobSession::getJobs` call, this method SHOULD also return jobs that were submitted outside
 1362 of DRMAA (e.g. through command-line tools) by this user. The returned list MAY also contain jobs that
 1363 were submitted by other users if the security policies of the DRM system allow such global visibility. The
 1364 DRM system or the DRMAA implementation is at liberty, however, to restrict the set of returned jobs based
 1365 on site or system policies, such as security settings or scheduler load restrictions.

1366 Querying the DRM system for all jobs might result in returning an excessive number of `Job` objects. Impli-
 1367 cations to the library implementation are out of scope for this specification.

1368 The method supports a `filter` argument for fetching only a subset of the job information available. Both
 1369 the return value semantics and the filter semantics SHOULD be similar to the ones described for the
 1370 `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.

1371 (See footnote)³¹

1372 **9.1.4 getAllQueues**

1373 This method returns a list of queues available for job submission in the DRM system. All `Queue` instances
 1374 in this list SHOULD be (based on their `name` attribute) a valid input for the `JobTemplate::queueName`
 1375 attribute (see Section 7.4). The result can be an empty list or might be incomplete, based on queue, host,
 1376 or system policies. It might also contain queues that are not accessible for the user (because of queue
 1377 configuration limits) at job submission time.

1378 The `names` parameter supports restricting the result to `Queue` instances that have one of the names given in
 1379 the argument. If the `names` parameter value is `UNSET`, all `Queue` instances should be returned.

1380 **9.1.5 getAllMachines**

1381 This method returns the list of machines available in the DRM system as execution host. The returned list
 1382 might be empty or incomplete based on machine or system policies. The returned list might also contain
 1383 machines that are not accessible by the user, e.g. because of host configuration limits.

1384 The `names` parameter supports restricting the result to `Machine` instances that have one of the names given
 1385 in the argument. If the `names` parameter value is `UNSET`, all `Machine` instances should be returned.

³¹ 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)

1386 9.1.6 drmsJobCategoryNames

1387 This method provides the list of of valid job category names which can be used for the `jobCategory` attribute
 1388 in a job template. The semantics are described in Section 7.4.8.

1389 10 Annex A: Complete DRMAA IDL Specification

1390 The following text shows the complete IDL specification for the DRMAAv2 application programming interface.
 1391 The ordering of IDL constructs here has no normative meaning, but ensures the correct compilation
 1392 with a standard CORBA IDL compiler for syntactical correctness checks. This demands only some additional
 1393 forward declarations to resolve circular dependencies.

```
1394 module DRMAA2 {

1395     enum JobState {
1396         UNDETERMINED, QUEUED, QUEUED_HELD, RUNNING, SUSPENDED, REQUEUED,
1397         REQUEUED_HELD, DONE, FAILED};

1398     enum OperatingSystem {
1399         HPUX, LINUX, IRIX, TRUE64, MACOS, SUNOS, WIN, WINNT, AIX, UNIXWARE,
1400         BSD, OTHER_OS};

1401     enum CpuArchitecture {
1402         ALPHA, ARM, CELL, PARISC, X86, X64, IA64, MIPS, PPC, PPC64,
1403         SPARC, SPARC64, OTHER_CPU};

1404     enum ResourceLimitType {
1405         CORE_FILE_SIZE, CPU_TIME, DATA_SEG_SIZE, FILE_SIZE, OPEN_FILES,
1406         STACK_SIZE, VIRTUAL_MEMORY, WALLCLOCK_TIME };

1407     enum JobTemplatePlaceholder {
1408         HOME_DIRECTORY, WORKING_DIRECTORY, HOST_NAME, USER_NAME, PARAMETRIC_INDEX };

1409     enum DrmaaEvent {
1410         NEW_STATE, MIGRATED, ATTRIBUTE_CHANGE
1411     };

1412     typedef sequence<string> OrderedStringList;
1413     typedef sequence<string> StringList;
1414     typedef sequence<Job> JobList;
1415     typedef sequence<Queue> QueueList;
1416     typedef sequence<Machine> MachineList;
1417     typedef sequence<Reservation> ReservationList;
1418     typedef sequence< sequence<string,2> > Dictionary;
1419     typedef string AbsoluteTime;
1420     typedef long long TimeAmount;
1421     native ZERO_TIME;
1422     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
1441     struct JobTemplate {
1442         StringList attributeNames;
1443         string remoteCommand;
1444         OrderedStringList args;
1445         boolean submitAsHold;
1446         boolean rerunnable;
1447         Dictionary jobEnvironment;
1448         string workingDirectory;
1449         string jobCategory;
1450         StringList email;
1451         boolean emailOnStarted;
1452         boolean emailOnTerminated;
1453         string jobName;
1454         string inputPath;
1455         string outputPath;
1456         string errorPath;
1457         boolean joinFiles;
1458         string reservationId;
1459         string queueName;
1460         long minSlots;
1461         long maxSlots;
1462         long priority;
1463         OrderedStringList candidateMachines;
1464         long minPhysMemory;
1465         OperatingSystem machineOS;
1466             CpuArchitecture machineArch;
1467         AbsoluteTime startTime;
1468         Dictionary drmsSpecific;
1469         AbsoluteTime deadlineTime;
1470         Dictionary stageInFiles;
```

```
1470     Dictionary stageOutFiles;
1471     Dictionary softResourceLimits;
1472     Dictionary hardResourceLimits;
1473     string accountingId;
1474 };
1475
1476 struct ReservationTemplate {
1477     StringList attributeNames;
1478     string reservationName;
1479     AbsoluteTime startTime;
1480     AbsoluteTime endTime;
1481     TimeAmount duration;
1482     long minSlots;
1483     long maxSlots;
1484     OrderedStringList candidateMachines;
1485     long minPhysMemory;
1486     OperatingSystem machineOS;
1487     CpuArchitecture machineArch;
1488     Dictionary drmsSpecific;
1489 };
1490
1491 struct DrmaaNotification {
1492     DrmaaEvent event;
1493     Job job;
1494     JobState jobState;
1495 };
1496
1497 struct Queue {
1498     string name;
1499     TimeAmount maxWallclockTime;
1500 };
1501
1502 struct Version {
1503     string major;
1504     string minor;
1505 };
1506
1507 struct Machine {
1508     string name;
1509     long sockets;
1510     long coresPerSocket;
1511     long threadsPerCore;
1512     double load;
1513     long physMemory;
1514     long virtMemory;
1515     OperatingSystem machineOS;
1516     Version machineOSVersion;
1517     CpuArchitecture machineArch;
1518 };
1519
```

```
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
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
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
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);

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1601     MonitoringSession createMonitoringSession (in string contactString);  
1602     JobSession openJobSession(in string sessionId);  
1603     ReservationSession openReservationSession(in string sessionId);  
1604     void closeJobSession(in JobSession s);  
1605     void closeReservationSession(in ReservationSession s);  
1606     void closeMonitoringSession(in MonitoringSession s);  
1607     void destroyJobSession(in string sessionId);  
1608     void destroyReservationSession(in string sessionId);  
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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