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### 14 **Abstract**

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

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

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

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

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# 1 Introduction

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

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

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

The DRMAA specification is based on the following stakeholders:

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

## 1.1 Notational Conventions

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

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

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

Proposal to use bytes instead, similar to JSDL

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

## 1.2 Language Bindings

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

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

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

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

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

This specification tries to consider the possibility of a Remote Procedure Call (RPC) scenario in a DRMAA-conformant language mapping. It SHOULD therefore be ensured that the programming language type for an IDL `struct` definition supports the serialization and comparison of instances. These capabilities should be accomplished through whatever mechanism is most natural for the 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. Evaluating an `UNSET` boolean value MUST result in a negative result, e.g. for `JobTemplate::emailOnStarted`.

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

## 1.3 Slots and Queues

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

<sup>2</sup> The concept of a `UNSET` value was decided on a conf call (Aug 25th 2010). Boolean in C can 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.

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

## 115 1.4 Multithreading

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

## 124 2 Namespace

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

127 `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.

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

## 129 3 Common Type Definitions

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

## 4 Enumerations

Language bindings SHOULD define numerical values for all DRMAA constants and enumeration members, in order to foster binary portability of DRMAA-based applications.

### 4.1 OperatingSystem enumeration

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

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

**AIX:** AIX Unix by IBM.

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

The operating system information is only useful in conjunction with version information (see Section 10.1), which is also the reporting approach taken in most DRM systems. Examples:

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

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

DRMAA <code>OperatingSystem</code> value	JSDL <code>jsdl:OperatingSystemTypeEnumeration</code> value
HPUX	HPUX
LINUX	LINUX
IRIX	IRIX
TRUE64	Tru64_UNIX, OSF
MACOS	MACOS
SUNOS	SunOS, SOLARIS
WIN	WIN95, WIN98, Windows_R_Me
WINNT	WINNT, Windows_2000, Windows_XP
AIX	AIX
UNIXWARE	SCO_UnixWare, SCO_OpenServer
BSD	BSDUNIX, FreeBSD, NetBSD, OpenBSD
OTHER_OS	Other

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

## 4.2 CpuArchitecture enumeration

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

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

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

**ARM:** The ARM processor architecture.

**CELL:** The Cell processor architecture.

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

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

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

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

**MIPS:** The MIPS processor architecture.

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

## 4.3 ResourceLimitType enumeration

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

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



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

Table 2: Mapping example for DRMAA `CpuArchitecture` enumeration

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

**WALLCLOCK\_TIME:** The maximum wall clock time in seconds the job is allowed to exist in RUNNING and SUSPENDED state (see Section 8.1).

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

#### 4.4 JobTemplatePlaceholder enumeration

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

```
enum JobTemplatePlaceholder {
```

<sup>6</sup> “Pipe size” was not added, since there is no use case in DRM systems with a job concept. “Max user processes” was omitted because it operates on the notion of users, which is not an explicit concept in DRMAA.

The understanding of wallclock time was decided in the Apr 6th 2011 conf call. At least Condor and Grid Engine fulfil this definition.

HOME\_DIRECTORY , WORKING\_DIRECTORY , HOST\_NAME , USER\_NAME , PARAMETRIC\_INDEX } ;

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

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

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

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

The PARAMETRIC\_INDEX placeholder SHOULD be usable at any position within an attribute value that supports place holders. It SHALL be substituted by the parametric job index in a JobSession::runBulkJobs call (see Section 8.2.6). If the job template is used for a JobSession:runJob call, PARAMETRIC\_INDEX SHOULD be substituted with a constant implementation-specific value.

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

## 5 Extensible Data Structures

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 these structures with *implementation-specific attributes* in all cases. Behavioral aspects of such extended attributes are out of scope for DRMAA. The interpretation is implementation-specific, implementations MAY even ignore such attribute values.

Implementations SHALL only extend data structures in the way specified by the language binding. The introspection about supported implementation-specific attributes is supported by the DrmaaReflective interface (see Section 5.8). Implementations SHOULD also support native introspection functionalities if defined by the language binding.

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

Language bindings MAY define how native introspection capabilities of the language or it’s runtime environment can also be used to work with implementation-specific attributes. These mechanisms MUST work in parallel to the DrmaaReflective interface.

<sup>7</sup> Placeholders for other job template attributes were rejected, in order to avoid circular dependencies (Conf. call Oct 20th 2010)

Mariusz proposes to remove ignore possibility.

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

## 277 5.1 Queue structure

278 Queue is an opaque concept from the perspective of the DRMAA application (see Section 1.3). The `Queue`  
279 struct contains read-only information.

```
280     struct Queue {
281         string name;
282     };
```

### 283 5.1.1 name

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

## 286 5.2 Version structure

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

```
289     struct Version {
290         string major;
291         string minor;
292     };
```

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

## 297 5.3 Machine structure

298 The `Machine` structure describes the properties of a particular execution host in the DRM system. It contains  
299 read-only information. An implementation or its DRM system MAY restrict jobs in their resource utilization  
300 even below the limits described in the `Machine` structure. The limits given here MAY be imposed by the  
301 hardware configuration, or MAY be imposed by DRM system policies.

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

---

<sup>8</sup> Comparison to DRMAA 1.0: The binding of job template attribute names and exception names to strings was removed. Language bindings have to define their own mapping, if needed.

One example for native language introspection support could be attributes.

```
310     OperatingSystem machineOS;  
311     Version machineOSVersion;  
312     CpuArchitecture machineArch;  
313 };
```

#### 314 5.3.1 name

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

#### 318 5.3.2 sockets

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

#### 322 5.3.3 coresPerSocket

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

#### 326 5.3.4 threadsPerCore

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

#### 330 5.3.5 load

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

#### 335 5.3.6 physMemory

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

#### 337 5.3.7 virtMemory

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

### 5.3.8 machineOS

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

### 5.3.9 machineOSVersion

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

### 5.3.10 machineArch

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

## 5.4 JobInfo structure

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

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

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

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

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

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

For additional DRMS-specific information, the `JobInfo` structure MAY be extended by the DRMAA implementation (see Section 5).

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

#### 5.4.1 `jobId`

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

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

#### 5.4.2 `resourceUsage`

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

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

Standardize  
resource  
usage key  
names ??

#### 5.4.3 `exitStatus`

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

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

#### 5.4.4 `terminatingSignal`

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

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

#### 5.4.5 `annotation`

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

For filtering: This attribute is ignored for filtering.

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

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

#### 5.4.6 jobState

For monitoring: This attribute specifies the jobs current state according to the DRMAA job state model (see Section 8.1).

For filtering: Returns all jobs in the specified state. If the given state is simulated by the implementation (see Section 8.1), the implementation SHOULD raise an `InvalidArgumentException` explaining that this filter can never match.

#### 5.4.7 jobSubState

For monitoring: This attribute specifies the jobs current DRMAA implementation specific sub-state (see Section 8.1).

For filtering: Returns all jobs in the specified sub-state. If the given sub-state is not supported by the implementation (see Section 8.1), the implementation SHOULD raise an `InvalidArgumentException` explaining that this filter can never match.

#### 5.4.8 allocatedMachines

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

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

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

#### 5.4.9 submissionMachine

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

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

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

#### 5.4.10 jobOwner

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

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

#### 5.4.11 queueName

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

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

#### 5.4.12 wallclockTime

For monitoring: Accumulated time the job spent in **RUNNING** and **SUSPENDED** state.

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

#### 5.4.13 cpuTime

For monitoring: This attribute specifies the amount of CPU time consumed by the job. This value includes only time the job spent in **JobState::RUNNING** (see Section 8.1).

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

#### 5.4.14 submissionTime

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

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

#### 5.4.15 dispatchTime

For monitoring: The time the job first entered a “Started” state (see Section 8.1). On job restart or re-scheduling, this value does not change.

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

#### 5.4.16 finishTime

For monitoring: The time the job first entered a “Terminated” state (see Section 8.1).

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

Resolve how to report slot assignments for jobs

### 5.5 ReservationInfo structure

The **ReservationInfo** structure describes reservation information information that is available for the DRMAA-based application.

```
struct ReservationInfo {
    string reservationId;
    string reservationName;
    AbsoluteTime reservedStartTime;
    AbsoluteTime reservedEndTime;
    StringList usersACL;
    long reservedSlots;
    OrderedStringList reservedMachines;
    boolean inErrorState;
};
```



The structure is used for the expression of information about a single advance reservation, in particular: the actual reservation start and end time and the reserved resources. Most of the information provided in this structure are, by their nature, static (except the `inErrorState` attribute) and should not change over the reservation lifetime. However it should be noted that this assumption may not hold if the advance reservation is altered outside of the DRMAA.

For additional DRMS-specific information, the `ReservationInfo` structure MAY be extended by the DRMAA implementation (see Section 5).

#### 5.5.1 reservationId

Returns the stringified job identifier assigned to the advance reservation by the DRM system.

#### 5.5.2 reservationName

This attribute describes the reservation name that was stored by the implementation or DRM system, derived from the original `reservationName` attribute given in the `ReservationTemplate`. The `reservationName` attribute may be UNSET.

#### 5.5.3 reservedStartTime

This attribute describes the start time for the reservation. If the value is UNSET, it expresses an unrestricted start time (i.e. “minus infinity”) for this reservation.

#### 5.5.4 reservedEndTime

This attribute describes the end time for the reservation. If the value is UNSET, it expresses an unrestricted end time (i.e. “plus infinity”) for this reservation.

#### 5.5.5 usersACL

The list of the users that are permitted to submit jobs to the reservation.

#### 5.5.6 reservedSlots

This attribute describes the number of slots that was reserved by the DRM system, based on the original `minSlots` and `maxSlots` arguments in the `ReservationTemplate`.

#### 5.5.7 reservedMachines

This attribute describes the set of machines which was reserved under the conditions described in the according reservation template. Every machine name in the list should be repeated as many times as the number of slots reserved on this machine. The `reservedMachines` attribute may be UNSET.

this attribute is duplicated with the Reservation interface, the same happens to JobInfo/Job but there we need it for filtering

Could the reservation result be a range, or is this always a maximum?  
ANSWER: actually reserved slots count can not be a range value

Now more clear: Describes how many slots were reserved on given host

### 507 5.5.8 inErrorState

508 This attribute helps to detect error conditions related with the reservation (e.g. one of the reserved nodes  
 509 went down). If the value is **True**, this indicates that the reservation is not fully usable, however such reservation  
 510 MAY still be a valid input for the job submission. The opposite does not hold, i.e. if the value is **False**, it  
 511 does not have to mean that the reservation is fully usable. An error state may be a transient situation. (See  
 512 footnote)<sup>10</sup>

NEW, not  
so crucial.  
Needs group  
approval

## 513 5.6 JobTemplate structure

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

```

517 struct JobTemplate {
518     string remoteCommand;
519     OrderedStringList args;
520     boolean submitAsHold;
521     boolean rerunnable;
522     Dictionary jobEnvironment;
523     string workingDirectory;
524     string jobCategory;
525     StringList email;
526     boolean emailOnStarted;
527     boolean emailOnTerminated;
528     string jobName;
529     string inputPath;
530     string outputPath;
531     string errorPath;
532     boolean joinFiles;
533     string reservationId;
534     string queueName;
535     long minSlots;
536     long maxSlots;
537     long priority;
538     OrderedStringList candidateMachines;
539     long minPhysMemory;
540     OperatingSystem machineOS;
541     CpuArchitecture machineArch;
542     AbsoluteTime startTime;
543     AbsoluteTime deadlineTime;
544     Dictionary stageInFiles;
545     Dictionary stageOutFiles;
546     Dictionary softResourceLimits;
547     Dictionary hardResourceLimits;
548     string accountingId;
  
```

<sup>10</sup>In DRMAA 2.0 we do not have an explicit state model for advance reservations as the reservation state can be easily deduced by comparing current time with reservation start and time.

549 };

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

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

560 An implementation **MAY** support **JobTemplatePlaceholder** macros in more occasions than defined in this  
 561 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  
?

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

### 564 5.6.1 remoteCommand

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

569 The support for this attribute is mandatory.

### 570 5.6.2 args

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

572 The support for this attribute is mandatory.

<sup>11</sup> Comparison to DRMAA 1.0: JobTemplate is now a value type, meaning that it maps to a struct in C. This removes the  
 need for DRMAA-defined methods for construction and destruction of job templates. An eventual RPC scenario for DRMAA  
 gets easier with this approach, since it is closer to the JSDL concept of a job description document.

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

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 should use  
 according implementation-specific attributes for this.

### 5.6.3 submitAsHold

This attribute defines if the job(s) should be submitted as `QUEUED` or `QUEUED_HELD` (see Section 8.1). Since the boolean `UNSET` value defaults to `False`, jobs are submitted as non-held if this attribute is not set.

The support for this attribute is mandatory.

### 5.6.4 rerunnable

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

How should check-pointability be denoted ?

The support for this attribute is mandatory.

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

### 5.6.5 jobEnvironment

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

The support for this attribute is mandatory.

### 5.6.6 workingDirectory

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

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

The support for this attribute is mandatory.

### 5.6.7 jobCategory

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

Through the `jobCategory` string attribute, a DRMAA application can specify additional needs of the job(s) that are to be mapped by the implementation or DRM system itself to DRMS-specific options. It is intended as non-programmatic extension of DRMAA job submission capabilities. The mapping is performed during

<sup>12</sup> The differentiation between rerunnable and checkpointable was decided on a conf call (Aug 25th 2010)

the process of job submission. Each category expresses a particular type of job execution that demands site-specific configuration, for example path settings, environment variables, or application starters such as MPIRUN.

A valid input SHOULD be one of the returned strings in `MonitoringSession::drmsJobCategoryNames` (see Section 10.1), otherwise an `InvalidArgumentException` SHOULD be raised.

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

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

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

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

The support for this attribute is mandatory.

#### 5.6.8 email

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

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

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

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

#### 5.6.9 emailOnStarted / emailOnTerminated

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

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

#### 5.6.10 jobName

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

<sup>13</sup> The blockEmail attribute in the JobTemplate was replaced by the UNSET semantic for the email addresses. (conf. call July 28th 2010).

The support for this attribute is mandatory.

#### 5.6.11 `inputPath` / `outputPath` / `errorPath`

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

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

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

The support for this attribute is mandatory.

#### 5.6.12 `joinFiles`

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

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

The support for this attribute is mandatory.

#### 5.6.13 `stageInFiles` / `stageOutFiles`

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

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

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

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

The support for this attribute is optional.

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

#### 5.6.14 reservationId

Specifies the identifier of the advance reservation associated with the job(s). The application is expected to create an advance reservation through the `ReservationSession` interface, the resulting `reservationId` (see Section 9.2) then acts as valid input for this job template attribute. Implementations MAY support an reservation identifier from non-DRMAA information sources as valid input.

The support for this attribute is mandatory.

#### 5.6.15 queueName

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

The `MonitoringSession::getAllQueues` method (see 10.1) supports the determination of valid queue names. Implementations SHOULD allow these queue names to be used in the `queueName` attribute. Implementations MAY also support queue names from other non-DRMAA information sources as valid input. If no default queue is defined or if the given queue name is not valid, the job submission MUST lead to an `InvalidArgumentException`.

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

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

The support for this attribute is mandatory.

#### 5.6.16 minSlots / maxSlots

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

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

The support for this attribute is mandatory.

<sup>14</sup> Comparison to DRMAA 1.0: New job template attributes for file transfers were introduced. They allow to express a set of file staging activities, similar to the approach in LSF and SAGA. They replace the old `transferFiles` attribute, the according `FileTransferMode` data structure and the special host definition syntax in `inputPath / outputPath / errorPath` (different conf. calls, SAGA F2F meeting, solves issue #5876)

### 5.6.17 priority

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

The support for this attribute is mandatory.

### 5.6.18 candidateMachines

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

The support for this attribute is mandatory.

### 5.6.19 minPhysMemory

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

The support for this attribute is mandatory.

### 5.6.20 machineOS

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

The support for this attribute is mandatory.

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

### 5.6.21 machineArch

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

The support for this attribute is mandatory.

### 5.6.22 startTime

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

The support for this attribute is mandatory.

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<sup>15</sup> Requesting a particular operating system version is not supported by the majority of DRM systems (conf call Jul 28th 2010)



### 5.6.23 `deadlineTime`

Specifies a deadline after which the implementation or the DRM system SHOULD change the job state to any of the “Terminated” states (see Section 8.1).

The support for this attribute is optional.

### 5.6.24 `softResourceLimits` / `hardResourceLimits`

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

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

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

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

### 5.6.25 `accountingId`

This attribute denotes a string that can be used by the DRM system for job accounting purposes. Implementations SHOULD NOT utilize this information as authentication token, but only as identification information in addition to the implementation-specific authentication (see Section 12).

The support for this attribute is optional.

## 5.7 ReservationTemplate structure

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

```
struct ReservationTemplate {
    string reservationName;
    AbsoluteTime startTime;
    AbsoluteTime endTime;
    TimeAmount duration;
    long minSlots;
    long maxSlots;
```

<sup>16</sup> In comparison to DRMAA 1.0, resource usage limitations can now be expressed by two dictionaries and an according 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).

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

```

777     StringList usersACL
778     OrderedStringList candidateMachines;
779     long minPhysMemory;
780     OperatingSystem machineOS;
781     CpuArchitecture machineArch;
782 };

```

783 Similar to the `JobTemplate` concept (see Section 5.6), there is a distinction between *mandatory* and *optional* attributes. Mandatory attributes MUST be supported by the implementation in the sense that they are evaluated in a `ReservationSession::requestReservation` call. Optional attributes MAY NOT be evaluated by the particular implementation, but MUST be provided as part of the `ReservationTemplate` structure in the implementation. If an optional attribute is not evaluated by the particular implementation, but has a value different to `UNSET`, the call to `ReservationSession::requestReservation` MUST fail with a `UnsupportedAttributeException`.

790 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.

A language binding specification SHOULD model the `ReservationTemplate` representation the same way as the `JobTemplate` interface (see Section 5.6), and therefore MUST define the realization of implementation-specific attributes, printing, and the initialization of attribute values.

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### 793 5.7.1 reservationName

794 A human-readable reservation name. If this attribute is omitted then the name of the reservation SHALL be automatically defined by the implementation. The implementation MAY truncate or alter any application-provided job name in order to adjust it to the DRMS specific constraints.

797 The support for this attribute is optional.

### 798 5.7.2 startTime / endTime / duration

799 The time frame in which resources should be reserved. Table 3 explains the different possible parameter combinations and their semantic.

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

802

### 803 5.7.3 minSlots

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

806 The support for this attribute is mandatory.

deleted: If not described differently in the following sections, all attributes SHOULD be allowed to have the `UNSET` value when `ReservationS` is called.

Complete section needs group approval

On `UNSET` / `UNSET` / `UNSET`, throw `InvalidArgument` instead ?

startTime	endTime	duration	Description
UNSET	UNSET	UNSET	Invalid, SHALL leave to a <code>InvalidAttributeException</code> on the reservation attempt.
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 3: Parameter combinations for the advance reservation time frame. If `duration` is not supported, it should be treated as `UNSET`.

#### 5.7.4 maxSlots

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

The support for this attribute is mandatory.

#### 5.7.5 usersACL

The list of the users that would be permitted to submit jobs to the created reservation. If this attribute is not specified, it should default to the current user.

The support for this attribute is mandatory.

#### 5.7.6 candidateMachines

Requests that the reservation must be created on any subset of the given list of machines. If this attribute is not specified, it should default to the result of `MonitoringSession::getAllMachines` (see Section 10.1).

The support for this attribute is optional.

#### 5.7.7 minPhysMemory

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

822 The support for this attribute is optional.

### 823 5.7.8 machineOS

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

826 The support for this attribute is optional.

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

### 828 5.7.9 machineArch

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

831 The support for this attribute is optional.

## 832 5.8 DrmaaReflective Interface

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Group approval for concept, then add description

## 834 6 Common Exceptions

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

```
837     exception DeniedByDrmException {string message;};
838     exception DrmCommunicationException {string message;};
839     exception TryLaterException {string message;};
840     exception SessionManagementException {string message;};
841     exception TimeoutException {string message;};
842     exception InternalException {string message;};
843     exception InvalidArgumentException {string message;};
844     exception InvalidSessionException {string message;};
845     exception InvalidStateException {string message;};
846     exception OutOfMemoryException {string message;};
847     exception UnsupportedAttributeException {string message;};
848     exception UnsupportedOperationException {string message;};
849     exception NotEnoughSlotsException {string message;};
850     exception InvalidReservationException: {string message;};
```

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

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

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

<sup>17</sup> Requesting a particular operating system version is not supported by the majority of DRM systems (conf call Jul 28th 2010)

DeniedBy DRMSEException ?

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

874 **NotEnoughSlotsException:** The advance reservation request could not be fulfilled due to unavailability of  
 875 resources in the requested time window.

876 **InvalidReservationException:** The reservation do not exist in the DRM System.

877 .

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

Should we have DuplicatedSessionNameException instead?

Two new exceptions. Group approval needed.

We might want to introduce InvalidTempl. 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 choose to model exceptions as numeric error code return values, and return values as additional output parameters of the operation. In this case, the language binding specification SHOULD specify numeric values for all DRMAA error constants.

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

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

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

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

878 (See footnote)<sup>18</sup>

## 879 7 The DRMAA Session Concept

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

### 885 7.1 SessionManager Interface

```
886 interface SessionManager{
887     readonly attribute string drmsName;
888     readonly attribute Version drmaaVersion;
889     readonly attribute boolean reservationSupported;
890     JobSession createJobSession(in string sessionName,
891                               in string contactString);
892     ReservationSession createReservationSession(in string sessionName,
893                                              in string contactString);
894     MonitoringSession createMonitoringSession (in string contactString);
```

<sup>18</sup> Comparison to DRMAA 1.0: The `InconsistentStateException` was removed, since it is semantically equal to the `InvalidStateException` (conf. call Jan 7th 2010) The former `HoldInconsistentStateException`, `ReleaseInconsistentStateException`, `ResumeInconsistentStateException`, and `SuspendInconsistentStateException` from DRMAA v1.0 are now expressed as single `InvalidStateException` with different meaning per raising method. (F2F meeting July 2009)

```

895     JobSession openJobSession(in string sessionName);
896     ReservationSession openReservationSession(in string sessionName);
897     void closeJobSession(in JobSession s);
898     void closeReservationSession(in ReservationSession s);
899     void closeMonitoringSession(in MonitoringSession s);
900     void destroyJobSession(in string sessionName);
901     void destroyReservationSession(in string sessionName);
902     StringList getJobSessions();
903     StringList getReservationSessions();
904 };

```

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

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

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

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

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

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

#### 922 7.1.1 drmsName

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

#### 927 7.1.2 drmaaVersion

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

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<sup>19</sup> Comparison to DRMAA 1.0: The concept of a factory from GFD.130 was removed (solves issue #6276). Version 2.0 of DRMAA supports restartable sessions by the newly introduced SessionManager interface. It allows creating multiple concurrent sessions for job submission (solves issue #2821), which can be restarted by their generated session name (solves issue #2820). Session.init() and Session.exit() functionalities are moved to the according session creation and closing routines. The descriptions were fixed accordingly (solves issue #2822). The AlreadyActiveSession error was removed. (F2F meeting July 2009) The drmaaImplementation attribute from DRMAA 1.0 was removed, since it was redundant to the drmsInfo attribute. This one is now available in the new SessionManager interface. (F2F meeting July 2009).

930 DRMAA implementation for expressing its own versioning information.

### 931 7.1.3 reservationSupported

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

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

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### 936 7.1.4 createJobSession / createReservationSession / createMonitoringSession

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

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

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

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

### 954 7.1.5 openJobSession / openReservationSession

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

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

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

<sup>20</sup>This attribute is intended to avoid test calls for checking if advance reservation is supported by the implementation



### 7.1.6 `closeJobSession` / `closeReservationSession` / `closeMonitoringSession`

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

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

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

### 7.1.7 `destroyJobSession` / `destroyReservationSession`

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

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

### 7.1.8 `getJobSessions` / `getReservationSessions`

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

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

## 8 Working with Jobs

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

### 8.1 The DRMAA State Model

DRMAA defines the following job states:

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

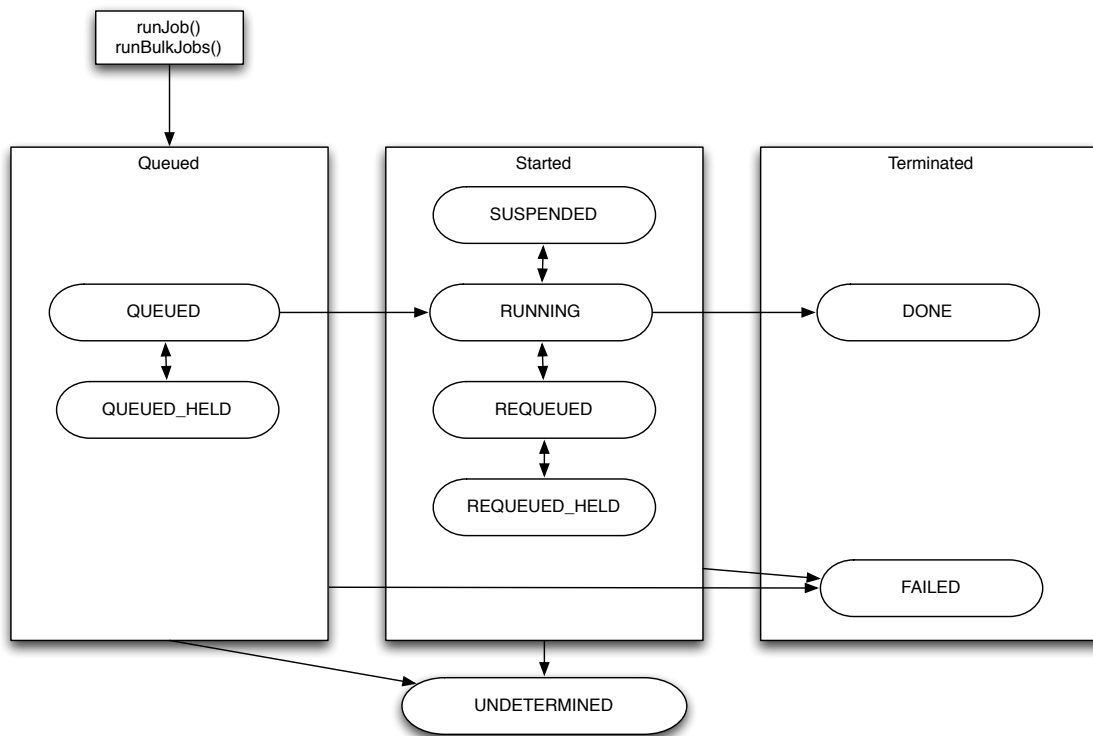


Figure 1: DRMAA Job State Transition Model

The transition diagram in Figure 1 expresses the classification of possible job states into “Queued”, “Started”, and “Terminated”. This is relevant for the job waiting functions (see Section 8.2 and Section 8.4), which

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

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

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

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

The DRMAA job state model can be mapped to other high-level API state models. Table 4 gives a non-normative set of examples.

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

Table 4: Example Mapping of DRMAA Job States

Re-check job  
state map-  
ping

<sup>21</sup> Comparison to DRMAA 1.0:

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

## 8.2 JobSession Interface

A job session instance acts as container for job instances controlled through the DRMAA API. The session methods support the submission of new jobs, the monitoring and the control of existing jobs. The relationship between jobs and their session MUST be persisted, as described in Section 7.1.

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

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

### 8.2.1 contact

This attribute contains the `contact` value that was used in the `SessionManager::createJobSession` call for this instance (see Section 7.1). If no value was originally provided, the default contact string from the implementation MUST be returned. This attribute is read-only.

### 8.2.2 sessionName

This attribute contains the `sessionName` value that was used in the `SessionManager::createJobSession` or `SessionManager::openJobSession` call for this instance (see Section 7.1). This attribute is read-only.

<sup>22</sup> Comparison to DRMAA 1.0: The original separation between `synchronize()` and `wait()` was replaced by a complete new synchronization semantic in the API. DRMAA2 has now two methods, `waitStarted()` and `waitTerminated()`. The first waits for any state that expresses that the job was started, the second for any terminal status. Both methods are available on session level (wait for any of the given jobs to start / end) or on single job level (solves issue #5880 and #2838). The function returns always a Job object, in order to allow chaining, e.g. `job.wait(JobStatus.RUNNING).hold()`. The session-level functions implement the old DRMAA `wait(SESSION_ANY)`. The old `synchronize()` semantics are no longer directly supported - instead, the DRMAA application should use a looped `Job.wait...` / `JobSession.waitAny...` call. The result is a more condensed and responsive API, where 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).

### 8.2.3 notificationSupported

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

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### 8.2.4 getJobs

This method returns a sequence of jobs that belong to the job session. The **filter** parameter allows one to choose a subset of the session jobs as return value. The attribute semantics for the **filter** argument are explained in Section 5.4. If no job matches or the session has no jobs attached, the method **MUST** return an empty sequence instance. If **filter** is **UNSET**, all session jobs **MUST** be returned.

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

### 8.2.5 runJob

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

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

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

### 8.2.6 runBulkJobs

The `runBulkJobs` method creates a set of parametric jobs, each with attributes defined in the given job template. Each job in the set is identical, except for the job template attributes that include the `JobTemplatePlaceholder::PARAMETRIC_INDEX` macro (see Section 5.6).

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

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

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

The `runBulkJobs` method returns a `JobArray` (see Section 8.5) instance that represents the set of `Job` objects created by the method call under a common array identifier. For each of the jobs in the array, the same conditions as for the result of `runJob` SHOULD apply.

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

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

### 8.2.7 `waitAnyStarted` / `waitAnyTerminated`

The `waitAnyStarted` method blocks until any of the jobs referenced in the `jobs` parameter entered one of the “Started” states. The `waitAnyTerminated` method blocks until any of the jobs referenced in the `jobs` parameter entered one of the “Terminated” states (see Section 8.1). If the input list contains jobs that are not part of the session, `waitAnyStarted` SHALL fail with an `InvalidArgumentException`.

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

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

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

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

### 8.2.8 `registerEventNotification`

This method is used to register a `DrmaaCallback` interface (see Section 8.3) implemented by the DRMAA-based application. If the callback functionality is not supported by the DRMAA implementation, the method SHALL raise an `UnsupportedOperationException`. Implementations MAY support the registration of multiple callback methods.

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

<sup>23</sup> There was a discussion (mailing list Jan 2011) about having specialized job templates for bulk submission, with support for the start / end index and a slots limit. We rejected that, since job templates are intended for re-usage.

<sup>24</sup> People typically ask for the `waitAll..()` counterparts of these functions. Since they are so easy to implement in the application itself, we could not see any benefit in adding them. Due to there intended long-blocking operation, the DRM system would no be able to offer any better (meaning much faster) implementation to be wrapped by DRMAA.

### 8.3 DrmaaCallback Interface

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

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

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

enum DrmaaEvent {
    NEW_STATE, MIGRATED, ATTRIBUTE_CHANGE
};
```

The application callback interface is registered through the `JobSession::registerEventNotification` method (see Section 8.2). The `DrmaaNotification` structure represents the notification information from the DRM system. Implementations MAY extend this structure for further information (see Section 5). All given information SHOULD be valid at least at the time of notification generation.

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

### 8.4 Job Interface

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

<sup>25</sup> We intentionally did not add `subState` to the notification information, since this would make callback interface implementations specific for the DRM system, without any chance for creating a portable DRMAA application.

```

1158 interface Job {
1159     readonly attribute string jobId;
1160     readonly attribute JobSession session;
1161     readonly attribute JobTemplate jobTemplate;
1162     void suspend();
1163     void resume();
1164     void hold();
1165     void release();
1166     void terminate();
1167     JobState getState(out any jobSubState);
1168     JobInfo getInfo();
1169     Job waitStarted(in TimeAmount timeout);
1170     Job waitTerminated(in TimeAmount timeout);
1171 };

```

1172 (See footnote)<sup>26</sup>

#### 1173 8.4.1 jobId

1174 This attribute provides the string job identifier assigned to the job by the DRM system. It is intended as  
 1175 performant alternative for fetching a complete `JobInfo` instance for this information.

#### 1176 8.4.2 session

1177 This attribute offers a reference to the `JobSession` instance that represents the session used for the job  
 1178 submission creating this `Job` instance.

#### 1179 8.4.3 jobTemplate

1180 This attribute provides a reference to a `JobTemplate` instance that has equal values to the one that was  
 1181 used for the job submission creating this `Job` instance.

#### 1182 8.4.4 suspend / resume / hold / release / terminate

1183 The job control functions allow modifying the status of the single job in the DRM system, according to the  
 1184 state model presented in Section 8.1.

1185 The `suspend` method triggers a transition from `RUNNING` to `SUSPENDED` state. The `resume` method triggers  
 1186 a transition from `SUSPENDED` to `RUNNING` state. The `hold` method triggers a transition from `QUEUED` to  
 1187 `QUEUED_HELD`, or from `REQUEUED` to `REQUEUED_HELD` state. The `release` method triggers a transition from  
 1188 `QUEUED_HELD` to `QUEUED`, or from `REQUEUED_HELD` to `REQUEUED` state. The `terminate` method triggers a

<sup>26</sup> In comparison to DRMAA v1.0, DRMAA2 replaces the identification of jobs by strings with Job objects. This enables a tighter integration of job meta-data and identity, for the price of reduced performance in (so far not existing) DRMAA RPC scenarios. The former DRMAA `control()` with the `JobControlAction` structure is now split up into dedicated functions (such as `hold()` and `release()`) on the `Job` object.

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

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

We must clarify if this attribute should be UNSET for non-session jobs



transition from any of the “Started” states to one of the “Terminated” states. If the job is in an inappropriate state for the particular method, the method **MUST** raise an **InvalidStateException**.

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

#### 8.4.5 getState

This method allows one to gather the current status of the job according to the DRMAA state model, together with an implementation specific sub state (see Section 8.1). It is intended as performant alternative for fetching a complete **JobInfo** instance for state checks. The timing conditions are described in Section 5.4.

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

#### 8.4.6 getInfo

This method returns a **JobInfo** instance for the particular job under the conditions described in Section 5.4.

#### 8.4.7 waitStarted / waitTerminated

The **waitStarted** method blocks until the job entered one of the “Started” states. The **waitTerminated** method blocks until the job entered one of the “Terminated” states (see Section 8.1). The **timeout** argument specifies the desired behavior when a result is not immediately available. The constant value **INFINITE\_TIME** may be specified to wait indefinitely for a result. The constant value **ZERO\_TIME** may be specified to return immediately. Alternatively, a number of seconds may be specified to indicate how long to wait for a result to become available. If the invocation exits on timeout, an **TimeoutException** **SHALL** be raised. If the job is in an inappropriate state for the particular method, the method **MUST** raise an **InvalidStateException**.

### 8.5 JobArray Interface

The following section explains the set of methods and attributes defined in the **JobArray** interface. Any instance of this interface represent an *job array*, a common concept in many DRM systems for a job set created by one operation. In DRMAA, **JobArray** instances are only created by the **runBulkJobs** operation (see Section 8.2). **JobArray** instances differ from the **JobList** data structure due to their potential for representing a DRM system concept, while **JobList** is a DRMAA-only concept mainly realized by the language binding sequence support. Implementations **SHOULD** realize the **JobArray** functionality as wrapper for DRM system job arrays, if possible. If the DRM system has only single job support or incomplete job array support with respect to the DRMAA-provided functionality, implementations **MUST** realize the **JobArray** functionality on their own, for example based on looped operations with a list of jobs.

```
interface JobArray {
    readonly attribute string jobArrayId;
    readonly attribute JobList jobs;
    readonly attribute JobSession session;
```

<sup>27</sup> The **getState()** function now also returns job subState information. This is intended as additional information for the given DRMAA job state, and can be used for expressing the hold state differentiation from DRMAA 1.0 (conf. call Mar 31st 2009).

```

1226     readonly attribute JobTemplate jobTemplate;
1227     void suspend();
1228     void resume();
1229     void hold();
1230     void release();
1231     void terminate();
1232 };

```

1233

1234 (See footnote)<sup>28</sup>

### 1235 8.5.1 jobArrayId

1236 This attribute provides the string job identifier assigned to the job array by the DRM system. If the DRM  
 1237 system has no job array support, the implementation **MUST** generate a system-wide unique identifier for  
 1238 the result of the successful **runBulkJobs** operation.

### 1239 8.5.2 jobs

1240 This attribute provides the static list of jobs that are part of the job array.

1241 (See footnote)<sup>29</sup>

### 1242 8.5.3 session

1243 This attribute offers a reference to a **JobSession** instance that represents the session which was used for the  
 1244 job submission creating this **JobArray** instance.

### 1245 8.5.4 jobTemplate

1246 This attribute provides a reference to a **JobTemplate** instance that has equal values to the one that was  
 1247 used for the job submission creating this **JobArray** instance.

1248 (See footnote)<sup>30</sup>

### 1249 8.5.5 suspend / resume / hold / release / terminate

1250 The job control functions allow modifying the status of the job array in the DRM system, with the same  
 1251 semantic as with the counterparts in the **Job** interface (see Section 8.4). If one of the jobs in the array is in  
 1252 an inappropriate state for the particular method, the method **MUST** raise an **InvalidStateException**.

<sup>28</sup> We are aware of the fact that some systems (e.g. LSF at the time of writing) do not support all DRMAA control operations offered for JobArrays. Since we intended to avoid optional DRMAA operations wherever we could, the text here mandates the implementation to simulate the JobArray support on its own. For example, looping over all jobs in the array and calling “suspend” for each one is trivial to implement and fulfills the same purpose.

<sup>29</sup> We were asked for offering a filter support similar to JobSession here. This was rejected by discussion on the list (Jan 2011), since the number of jobs returned here is normally comparatively short. In this case, the DRM system cannot provide any benefit over the looped check in the application itself.

<sup>30</sup> The use case from SAGA perspective is that the user can easily resubmit the same job - just changing for example some command line parameter, but leaving the remainder fixed (mail by Andre Merzky, July 29th 2010).

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

## 9 Working with Advance Reservation

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

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

### 9.1 ReservationSession Interface

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

```
interface ReservationSession {
    readonly attribute string contact;
    readonly attribute string sessionName;
    Reservation getReservation(in string reservationId);
    Reservation requestReservation(in ReservationTemplate reservationTemplate);
    ReservationList getReservations();
};
```

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

#### 9.1.1 contact

This attribute contains the **contact** value that was used in the **createReservationSession** call for this instance (see Section 7.1). If no value was originally provided, the default contact string from the implementation **MUST** be returned. This attribute is read-only.

#### 9.1.2 sessionName

This attribute contains the name of the session that was used for creating or opening this **Reservation** instance (see Section 7.1). This attribute is read-only.

#### 9.1.3 getReservation

This method returns a **Reservation** instance that has the given **reservationId**. Implementations **MAY** support the access to reservations created outside of a DRMAA session scope, under the same regularities as for the **MonitoringSession::getAllReservations** method (see Section 10.1.2). If no reservation matches, the method **SHALL** raise an **InvalidArgumentException**. Time-dependent effects of this method are implementation-specific.

#### 9.1.4 requestReservation

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

The method SHALL raise:

- `DeniedByDrmsException` if the current user is not authorized to create reservations,
- `NotEnoughSlotsException` if there is not enough resources in the requested time window,
- `InvalidArgumentException` if the reservation cannot be performed by the DRM system due to invalid format/value of one of the `ReservationTemplate` attributes (e.g. the start time is in the past). It SHOULD further provide detailed information about the rejection cause in the extended error information (see Section 6).

In case some of the conditions are not fulfilled after the reservation was successfully created, for example due to execution host outages, the reservation itself SHOULD remain valid, as long as it wasn't cancelled either through or outside of DRMAA.

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#### 9.1.5 getReservations

This method returns the list of reservations successfully created so far in this session, regardless of their start and end time. The list of `Reservation` instances is only cleared in conjunction with the destruction of the actual session instance through `SessionManager::destroyReservationSession` (see also Section 7.1).

### 9.2 Reservation Interface

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

```
interface Reservation {
    readonly attribute string reservationId;
    readonly attribute ReservationSession session;
    readonly attribute ReservationTemplate reservationTemplate;
    ReservationInfo getInfo();
    void terminate();
};
```

#### 9.2.1 reservationId

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

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#### 9.2.2 session

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

### 9.2.3 reservationTemplate

This attribute provides a reference to a **ReservationTemplate** instance that has equal values to the one that was used for the advance reservation creating this **Reservation** instance. This attribute value **MUST** be **UNSET** if the referenced reservation was created outside of a DRMAA session.

### 9.2.4 getInfo

This method returns a **ReservationInfo** instance for the particular job under the conditions described in Section 5.5. This method **SHOULD** throw **InvalidReservationException** if the reservation expired (i.e. its end time passed) or was terminated.

### 9.2.5 terminate

This method terminates the advance reservation in the DRM system represented by this **Reservation** instance. All jobs submitted to this reservation, either **Queued** or **Started** **SHOULD** be terminated by the DRM system or the DRMAA library itself automatically.

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## 10 Monitoring the DRM System

The DRMAA monitoring facility supports four basic units of monitoring:

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

### 10.1 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.

#### 10.1.1 `drmsVersion`

This attribute provides the DRM-system specific version information. While the DRM system type is available from the `SessionManager::drmsName` attribute (see Section 7.1), 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. 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.

#### 10.1.2 `getAllReservations`

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

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

#### 10.1.3 `getAllJobs`

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

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

The method supports a `filter` argument for fetching only a subset of the job information available. Both the return value semantics and the filter semantics SHOULD be similar to the ones described for the `JobSession::getJobs` method (see Section 8.2).

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.

1398 (See footnote)<sup>31</sup>

#### 1399 10.1.4 getAllQueues

1400 This method returns a list of queues available for job submission in the DRM system. All `Queue` instances  
1401 in this list SHOULD be (based on their `name` attribute) a valid input for the `JobTemplate::queueName`  
1402 attribute (see Section 5.6). The result can be an empty list or might be incomplete, based on queue, host,  
1403 or system policies. It might also contain queues that are not accessible for the user (because of queue  
1404 configuration limits) at job submission time.

1405 The `names` parameter supports restricting the result to `Queue` instances that have one of the names given in  
1406 the argument. If the `names` parameter value is `UNSET`, all `Queue` instances should be returned.

#### 1407 10.1.5 getAllMachines

1408 This method returns the list of machines available in the DRM system as execution host. The returned list  
1409 might be empty or incomplete based on machine or system policies. The returned list might also contain  
1410 machines that are not accessible by the user, e.g. because of host configuration limits.

1411 The `names` parameter supports restricting the result to `Machine` instances that have one of the names given  
1412 in the argument. If the `names` parameter value is `UNSET`, all `Machine` instances should be returned.

#### 1413 10.1.6 drmsJobCategoryNames

1414 This method provides the list of of valid job category names which can be used for the `jobCategory` attribute  
1415 in a job template. The semantics are described in Section 5.6.7.

## 1416 11 Annex A: Complete DRMAA IDL Specification

1417 The following text shows the complete IDL specification for the DRMAAv2 application programming inter-  
1418 face. The ordering of IDL constructs here has no normative meaning, but ensures the correct compilation  
1419 with a standard CORBA IDL compiler for syntactical correctness checks. This demands only some additional  
1420 forward declarations to resolve circular dependencies.

```
1421 module DRMAA2 {
1422     enum JobState {
1423         UNDETERMINED, QUEUED, QUEUED_HELD, RUNNING, SUSPENDED, REQUEUED,
1424         REQUEUED_HELD, DONE, FAILED};
1425     enum OperatingSystem {
1426         HPUX, LINUX, IRIX, TRUE64, MACOS, SUNOS, WIN, WINNT, AIX, UNIXWARE,
1427         BSD, OTHER_OS};
```

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

```
1428 enum CpuArchitecture {
1429     ALPHA, ARM, CELL, PARISC, X86, X64, IA64, MIPS, PPC, PPC64,
1430     SPARC, SPARC64, OTHER_CPU};

1431 enum ResourceLimitType {
1432     CORE_FILE_SIZE, CPU_TIME, DATA_SEG_SIZE, FILE_SIZE, OPEN_FILES,
1433     STACK_SIZE, VIRTUAL_MEMORY, WALLCLOCK_TIME };

1434 enum JobTemplatePlaceholder {
1435     HOME_DIRECTORY, WORKING_DIRECTORY, HOST_NAME, USER_NAME, PARAMETRIC_INDEX };

1436 enum DrmaaEvent {
1437     NEW_STATE, MIGRATED, ATTRIBUTE_CHANGE
1438 };

1439 typedef sequence<string> OrderedStringList;
1440 typedef sequence<string> StringList;
1441 typedef sequence<Job> JobList;
1442 typedef sequence<Queue> QueueList;
1443 typedef sequence<Machine> MachineList;
1444 typedef sequence<Reservation> ReservationList;
1445 typedef sequence< sequence<string,2> > Dictionary;
1446 typedef string AbsoluteTime;
1447 typedef long long TimeAmount;
1448 native ZERO_TIME;
1449 native INFINITE_TIME;

1450 struct JobInfo {
1451     string jobId;
1452     Dictionary resourceUsage;
1453     long exitStatus;
1454     string terminatingSignal;
1455     string annotation;
1456     JobState jobState;
1457     any jobSubState;
1458     OrderedStringList allocatedMachines;
1459     string submissionMachine;
1460     string jobOwner;
1461     string queueName;
1462     TimeAmount wallclockTime;
1463     long cpuTime;
1464     AbsoluteTime submissionTime;
1465     AbsoluteTime dispatchTime;
1466     AbsoluteTime finishTime;
1467 };

1468 struct ReservationInfo {
1469     string reservationId;
```



```
1470     string reservationName;
1471     AbsoluteTime reservedStartTime;
1472     AbsoluteTime reservedEndTime;
1473     StringList usersACL;
1474     long reservedSlots;
1475     OrderedStringList reservedMachines;
1476     boolean inErrorState;
1477 };

1478 struct JobTemplate {
1479     string remoteCommand;
1480     OrderedStringList args;
1481     boolean submitAsHold;
1482     boolean rerunnable;
1483     Dictionary jobEnvironment;
1484     string workingDirectory;
1485     string jobCategory;
1486     StringList email;
1487     boolean emailOnStarted;
1488     boolean emailOnTerminated;
1489     string jobName;
1490     string inputPath;
1491     string outputPath;
1492     string errorPath;
1493     boolean joinFiles;
1494     string reservationId;
1495     string queueName;
1496     long minSlots;
1497     long maxSlots;
1498     long priority;
1499     OrderedStringList candidateMachines;
1500     long minPhysMemory;
1501     OperatingSystem machineOS;
1502     CpuArchitecture machineArch;
1503     AbsoluteTime startTime;
1504     AbsoluteTime deadlineTime;
1505     Dictionary stageInFiles;
1506     Dictionary stageOutFiles;
1507     Dictionary softResourceLimits;
1508     Dictionary hardResourceLimits;
1509     string accountingId;
1510 };

1511 struct ReservationTemplate {
1512     string reservationName;
1513     AbsoluteTime startTime;
1514     AbsoluteTime endTime;
1515     TimeAmount duration;
```

```
1516     long minSlots;
1517     long maxSlots;
1518     StringList usersACL
1519     OrderedStringList candidateMachines;
1520     long minPhysMemory;
1521     OperatingSystem machineOS;
1522     CpuArchitecture machineArch;
1523 };

1524 struct DrmaaNotification {
1525     DrmaaEvent event;
1526     Job job;
1527     JobState jobState;
1528 };

1529 struct Queue {
1530     string name;
1531 };

1532 struct Version {
1533     string major;
1534     string minor;
1535 };

1536 struct Machine {
1537     string name;
1538     long sockets;
1539     long coresPerSocket;
1540     long threadsPerCore;
1541     double load;
1542     long physMemory;
1543     long virtMemory;
1544     OperatingSystem machineOS;
1545     Version machineOSVersion;
1546     CpuArchitecture machineArch;
1547 };

1548 exception DeniedByDrmException {string message;};
1549 exception DrmCommunicationException {string message;};
1550 exception TryLaterException {string message;};
1551 exception SessionManagementException {string message;};
1552 exception TimeoutException {string message;};
1553 exception InternalException {string message;};
1554 exception InvalidArgumentException {string message;};
1555 exception InvalidSessionException {string message;};
1556 exception InvalidStateException {string message;};
1557 exception OutOfMemoryException {string message;};
1558 exception UnsupportedAttributeException {string message;};
```

```
1559     exception UnsupportedOperationException {string message;};
1560     exception NotEnoughSlotsException {string message;};
1561     exception InvalidReservationException: {string message;};

1562     interface DrmaaReflective {
1563         readonly attribute StringList jobTemplateOpt;
1564         readonly attribute StringList jobTemplateImpl;
1565         readonly attribute StringList jobInfoOpt;
1566         readonly attribute StringList jobInfoImpl;
1567         readonly attribute StringList reservationTemplateOpt;
1568         readonly attribute StringList reservationTemplateImpl;
1569         readonly attribute StringList reservationInfoOpt;
1570         readonly attribute StringList reservationInfoImpl;
1571         readonly attribute StringList queueImpl;
1572         readonly attribute StringList machineImpl;
1573
1574         string getAttr(any instance, in string name);
1575         void setAttr(any instance, in string name, in string value);
1576         string describeAttr(in string name);
1577     };

1578     interface DrmaaCallback {
1579         void notify(in DrmaaNotification notification);
1580     };

1581     interface ReservationSession {
1582         readonly attribute string contact;
1583         readonly attribute string sessionName;
1584         Reservation getReservation(in string reservationId);
1585         Reservation requestReservation(in ReservationTemplate reservationTemplate);
1586         ReservationList getReservations();
1587     };

1588     interface Reservation {
1589         readonly attribute string reservationId;
1590         readonly attribute ReservationSession session;
1591         readonly attribute ReservationTemplate reservationTemplate;
1592         ReservationInfo getInfo();
1593         void terminate();
1594     };

1595     interface JobArray {
1596         readonly attribute string jobArrayId;
1597         readonly attribute JobList jobs;
1598         readonly attribute JobSession session;
1599         readonly attribute JobTemplate jobTemplate;
1600         void suspend();
1601         void resume();
```

```
1602     void hold();
1603     void release();
1604     void terminate();
1605 };

1606 interface JobSession {
1607     readonly attribute string contact;
1608     readonly attribute string sessionName;
1609     readonly attribute boolean notificationSupported;
1610     JobList getJobs(in JobInfo filter);
1611     Job runJob(in JobTemplate jobTemplate);
1612     JobArray runBulkJobs(
1613         in JobTemplate jobTemplate,
1614         in long beginIndex,
1615         in long endIndex,
1616         in long step);
1617     Job waitAnyStarted(in JobList jobs, in TimeAmount timeout);
1618     Job waitAnyTerminated(in JobList jobs, in TimeAmount timeout);
1619     void registerEventNotification(in DrmaaCallback callback);
1620 };

1621 interface Job {
1622     readonly attribute string jobId;
1623     readonly attribute JobSession session;
1624     readonly attribute JobTemplate jobTemplate;
1625     void suspend();
1626     void resume();
1627     void hold();
1628     void release();
1629     void terminate();
1630     JobState getState(out any jobSubState);
1631     JobInfo getInfo();
1632     Job waitStarted(in TimeAmount timeout);
1633     Job waitTerminated(in TimeAmount timeout);
1634 };

1635 interface MonitoringSession {
1636     readonly attribute Version drmsVersion;
1637     ReservationList getAllReservations();
1638     JobList getAllJobs(in JobInfo filter);
1639     QueueList getAllQueues(in StringList names);
1640     MachineList getAllMachines(in StringList names);
1641     readonly attribute StringList drmsJobCategoryNames;
1642 };

1643 interface SessionManager{
1644     readonly attribute string drmsName;
1645     readonly attribute Version drmaaVersion;
```

```

1646     readonly attribute boolean reservationSupported;
1647     JobSession createJobSession(in string sessionName,
1648                               in string contactString);
1649     ReservationSession createReservationSession(in string sessionName,
1650                                               in string contactString);
1651     MonitoringSession createMonitoringSession (in string contactString);
1652     JobSession openJobSession(in string sessionName);
1653     ReservationSession openReservationSession(in string sessionName);
1654     void closeJobSession(in JobSession s);
1655     void closeReservationSession(in ReservationSession s);
1656     void closeMonitoringSession(in MonitoringSession s);
1657     void destroyJobSession(in string sessionName);
1658     void destroyReservationSession(in string sessionName);
1659     StringList getJobSessions();
1660     StringList getReservationSessions();
1661 };
1662 };

```

## 1663 12 Security Considerations

1664 The DRMAA API does not specifically assume the existence of a particular security infrastructure in the  
 1665 DRM system. The scheduling scenario described herein presumes that security is handled at the point of job  
 1666 authorization/execution on a particular resource. It is assumed that credentials owned by the application  
 1667 using the API are in effect for the DRMAA implementation too.

1668 It is conceivable an authorized but malicious user could use a DRMAA implementation or a DRMAA enabled  
 1669 application to saturate a DRM system with a flood of requests. Unfortunately for the DRM system this  
 1670 case is not distinguishable from the case of an authorized good-natured user who has many jobs to be  
 1671 processed. For temporary load defense, implementations SHOULD utilize the `TryLaterException`. In case  
 1672 of permanent issues, the implementation SHOULD raise the `DeniedByDrmException`.

1673 DRMAA implementers should guard against buffer overflows that could be exploited through DRMAA  
 1674 enabled interactive applications or web portals. Implementations of the DRMAA API will most likely  
 1675 require a network to coordinate subordinate DRMS; however the API makes no assumptions about the  
 1676 security posture provided the networking environment. Therefore, application developers should further  
 1677 consider the security implications of “on-the-wire” communications.

1678 For environments that allow remote or protocol based DRMAA clients, the implementation SHOULD offer  
 1679 support for secure transport layers to prevent man in the middle attacks.

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