

1 Subj: Synopsis of Issue Resolution at the JMP Meeting, 5/16/97
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6 Summary of the major decisions:

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8 1. No duplication between attributes and objects.
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11 2. Any attributes that are mandatory will be in the Job Status table
12 (renamed back to Job table), except the mandatory jobOwner attribute,
13 which is a string and will remain as a mandatory attribute in the
14 Attribute table. The Attribute table has a shorter lifetime than the
15 Job table. Also the jobOwner is a STATIC attribute, so that a
16 monitoring application is unlikely to need to get it on each poll cycle,
17 only the first. However, the value of keeping jmJobTable entries
18 without the jobOwner only works for systems that have the
19 jmJobSubmissionID that is known to the client.
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22 The 7 mandatory objects in the jmJobTable are:

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24 jmJobState
25 jmJobKOctetsRequested
26 jmJobKOctetsProcessed (by the interpreter)
27 [name change from xxxCompleted]
28 jmJobImpressionsRequested
29 jmJobImpressionsCompleted (stacked)
30 jmJobSheetsCompleted (stacked)
31 jmNumberOfInterveningJobs
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33 The mandatory attributes are:

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35 jobOwner (63 octet string)
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37 The deviceAlertCode and outputBinIndex attributes will remain
38 in the jmAttributeTable and will NOT be mandatory attributes.
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41 3. The multiplexed object/attribute
42 jmJobStateAssociatedValue/jobStateAssociatedValue has been deleted
43 from both tables.
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46 4. Any attribute that is implemented shall be instantiated when the
47 job is instantiated. The agent shall not add attributes as the job
48 is processed. If the agent doesn't know the value at submit time, the
49 agent shall fill in the "unknown" value. This allows a management app
50 that has once discovered what attributes are implemented by an agent
51 to request multiple attributes in a single PDU and not have one of them
52 bomb out because the agent had not yet put it in the table.
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55 5. We reviewed the comparison with IPP (ipp-jmp.doc) and made the
56 following decisions:

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58 a. Don't add "number-up" as an attribute - number up usage can be better
59 determined from comparing the conditionally mandatory jobPagesCompleted
60 attribute with the jmImpressionsCompleted object.

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63 b. Add "printer-resolution" with keyword/enum values from IPP which are:
64 normal, 'res-100', 'res-200', 'res-240', 'res-300', 'res-600', 'res-
65 800', 'res-1200', 'res-1800', 'res-100x200', 'res-300x600', 'res-
66 600x300', 'res-400x800', 'res-800x400', 'res-600x1200', 'res-1200x600',
67 and 'res-1800x600'.
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69 c. Add "job-originating-host" from IPP with the same meaning that it is
70 only the end-user host, not an intermediate server host.
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72 d. We did not agree to add the IPP job-state-message, though the JMP
73 processingMessage(11) is pretty similar.
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75 e. The remaining issue is that the jmJobState object and the
76 jobStateReason1
77 attribute don't align with IPP's job-state and job-state-reasons
78 attributes.
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80 In JMP, jmJobState object is mandatory, but the jobStateReasons1
81 attribute is conditionally mandatory, while in IPP, both the job-state
82 and the job-state-reasons attributes are mandatory.
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84 JMP jmJobState object values are: other, unknown, held, pending,
85 processing, [printing was dropped to agree with IPP], needsAttention,
86 canceled, and completed.
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88 IPP job-state attribute values are: unknown, pending, processing,
89 terminating, retained, completed.
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91 IPP represents the 'held' state with various "job-state-reasons"
92 attribute values while the job is in the 'pending' state.
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94 IPP represents the 'needsAttention' state with the
95 "job-state-reasons"='printer-stopped attribute'
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97 IPP 'terminating' is like JMP 'canceled's states, except that IPP
98 'terminating' transitions into 'retained' then 'completed', while JMP
99 'canceled' is a final state, as is the 'completed' state.
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101 JMP represents IPP's 'retained' state using the
102 "jobStateReasons"='jobRetained' attribute.
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104 We decided to put this issue on the IPP agenda for this coming
105 Wednesday, 1-3pm PDT.
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108 Since most of the JMP participants were not present at the Wed IPP call,
109 I'll send out those agreements separately for approval of the JMP
110 participants.
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114 6. We made a few changes to the paper entitled: "Property Table of JMP
115 attributes" (attr-tab.doc). Then we agreed that it would be kept a
116 separate document and referred to from the web page and the FAQ.
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118 ACTION ITEM (Tom): Update and re-post. Get web page to cite.
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122 7. Here are the resolutions to the specific issues. Issues with ????
123 were not covered and are still issues. If you want more description of
124 the issue, see the issues.doc and issues.pdf file in:
125 ftp://ftp.pwg.org/pub/pwg/jmp/contributions/
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128 Issue 61 - Need to clarify the semantics of each object and attribute
129 with respect to Configuration 1, 2, and 3.
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132 ISSUE 67 - Delete the three objects in the Job State table that
133 duplicate attributes? jmJobStateKOctetsCompleted,
134 jmJobStateImpressionsCompleted, and jmJobStateAssociatedValue?
135 | Closed: Delete the duplicates from the Attributes Table instead.
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137 ISSUE 68 - Delete the Job State Group/Table all together, since all
138 objects are also duplicated as attributes?
139 | Closed: No, the Job State Table is useful to scan for jobs using Get
140 | Next and select the desired columns.
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142 ISSUE 69- Does order of assignment of JmAttributeTypeTC enums make any
143 difference?
144 | Closed: No, can't use Get Next to step through jobs. The requester can
145 | specify which attributes using Get, since the agent is now required to
146 | materialize each supported attribute when the job is accepted. So the
147 | application can supply a number of Gets in a single PDU without fear of
148 | a error, once the application has learned which attributes the agent
149 | implements.
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151 ISSUE 70 - Add some simple general device alert TC, instead of using the
152 Printer MIB Alert Codes.
153 | Closed: No, use the alert codes.
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155 ISSUE 71 - Are there any attributes that need to be clarified as to
156 which apply to servers and which apply to devices and which apply to
157 either?
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160 ISSUE 72 - What should happen to jmGeneralNewestActiveJobIndex when all
161 the active jobs complete?
162 | Closed: the agent shall reset it to 0 and keep an internal variable for
163 | the next row to assign. That internal variable shall be persistent
164 | across power cycles. Also the agent shall find the next newest active
165 | job, when the newest is canceled or completes and there are still active
166 | jobs in the tables.
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168 ISSUE 74: Collapse pairs of attributes that use Integer vs Octets valus?
169 | Closed: Yes, and allow agents to implement one, the other, or both
170 | values. Making it easy for an agent to do both will make such an
171 | application that doesn't want to depend on the Printer MIB being
172 | implemented, i.e., the application wants to work with all three
173 | configurations.
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175 ISSUE 75 - Should the Attribute enum values be grouped so additions
176 could be added in the appropriate section?
177 | Closed: Yes.
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179 Issue 76 - So should jobName, jobOwner, and one of deviceNameRequested
180 or queueNameRequested be made Mandatory?

181 Closed: Only jobOwner is made mandatory, but it will remain in the
182 Attribute table, rather than being moved to the Job table.
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184 Issue 77 - Should jobCompletedDateAndTime/TimeStamp be canceled time
185 too, or add jobCanceledDateAndTime/TimeStamp?
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188 Issue 78 - Should the "multiplexor" jobStateAssociatedValue(4) attribute
189 be removed from the Job Attribute Table and the equivalent
190 jmJobStateAssociatedValue object be removed from the Job State table?
191 Closed: Yes. The application can request each object and/or attribute
192 directly and it will fit into a single PDU (20 objects or attributes).
193 Now that attributes are required to be instantiated as the same time as
194 the job is received, whether the value is known then or not, avoids the
195 problem that a PDU with multiple gets would get aborted because the
196 agent hadn't instantiated the attribute in the table.
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198 Issue 79 - Should the 'printing' state be combined into the 'processing'
199 state, like IPP?
200 Closed: Yes, but the other differences between JMP and IPP need
201 discussion with IPP.
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203 Issue 80 - How handle IPP "sides" attribute which has 3 enum values?
204 Closed: Don't include the IPP values; the agent can map them to 1 or
205 2.
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207 Issue 81 - Add IPP "numberUp" attribute?
208 Closed: No. Can get whether number up is being used by comparing the
209 conditionally mandatory jobPagesCompleted attribute with the
210 jmImpressionsCompleted object.
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212 ISSUE 82 - Change the OID assignment as Jeff Case suggests so no holes?
213 Closed: Yes, including reserving an OID for traps, in case we need them
214 in the future.
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216 ISSUE 83 - Can some attributes be deleted before the
217 jmGeneralAttributePersistence expires?
218 Closed: No. All attributes shall be instantiated at the same time and
219 deleted at the same time. Then applications can request any number of
220 objects and attributes in a single PDU and not get an error back on one
221 that has been implemented but hasn't been put in the table. The values
222 may change at any time.
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224 ISSUE 84 - Change Associated Value for 'printing' state to
225 impressionsCompletedCurrentCopy(56)?
226 Closed: Since the AssociatedValue object/attribute is being deleted,
227 this issue is moot.
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229 ISSUE 85 - Break the MIB into a monitoring and an accounting MIB?
230 Closed: No. There are too many attributes that are used for both
231 monitoring and accounting.
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233 ISSUE 86 - Clarify jobCopiesRequested(44) vs.
234 documentCopiesRequested(46)
235 Closed: Use jobCopiesRequested for single document jobs for both
236 systems that support only one document per job and ones that support
237 multiple documents. Only use documentCopiesRequested, when a multiple
238 document job actually specifies that individual documents are to be made
239 copies.
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2. Closed Issues - not yet reflected in the current draft The following issues have been closed and have been incorporated into the Internet Draft 00 and version 0.71 or earlier:

Issue 12 - What is the SNMPv1 and SNMPv2 error that an agent shall return if there is no instrumentation for an object?

Closed: There is no such SNMP error. ALL uninstrumented objects in mandatory groups of any MIB should always correctly return 'read-only' static values specified in 'DEFVAL' clauses. 'DEFVAL' is a perfectly good SMIV2 feature intended to cover this situation. Returning ANY SNMP error for ANY object in a mandatory group with a legal instance qualifier (i.e., set of indices) is NOT legal in a literal reading of the SNMPv2 Protocol spec (RFC 1905, page 10, in 'Get-Request PDU' handling). That's what 'shall implement ALL the objects in this group' means! So add DEFVAL clauses to all objects.

Issue 64 - Need to fill out Appendix A on mapping from the job submission protocols to the Job Monitoring MIB for each of the three configurations.

Closed: Put into a separate document.
ACTION ITEM (all): Write up your job submission protocol mapping to the Job Monitoring MIB.

Issue 65 - What Appendices should remain, which should be separate Internet Drafts and/or informational RFCs and which should disappear?

Closed: No appendices for the Job Monitoring MIB, except for supplemental information about the semantics of job states. Put any other information into a separate informational RFC, such as mapping to ISO DPA, mapping to IPP, mapping to other job submission protocols, etc.

Issue 73 - Is there a problem with outputBinIndex being made mandatory? If outputBinIndex is made mandatory, but an implementation doesn't have the Printer MIB, the agent has to put 0 as the value. Should we add one more attribute: outputBinNumber, which is just a number, not an index into the Printer MIB? If we do, which should be mandatory? Just one more reason to get rid of the jmStateTable, which is forcing us to pick a particular outputBin implementation and make it mandatory. If we got rid of the JobState table, we could forget about making any of the 3 outputBinName, outputBinNumber, or outputBinIndex attribute mandatory.

Closed: Don't add outputBinNumber. Also keep outputBinIndex as a MULTI-ROW attribute, so don't need to add multi(-3) enum value. Just add other(1), unknown(2), and multi(3) values and keep outputBinIndex as mandatory. This does also mean that jmAttributeValueAsInteger needs a lower bound of -3, not -2.