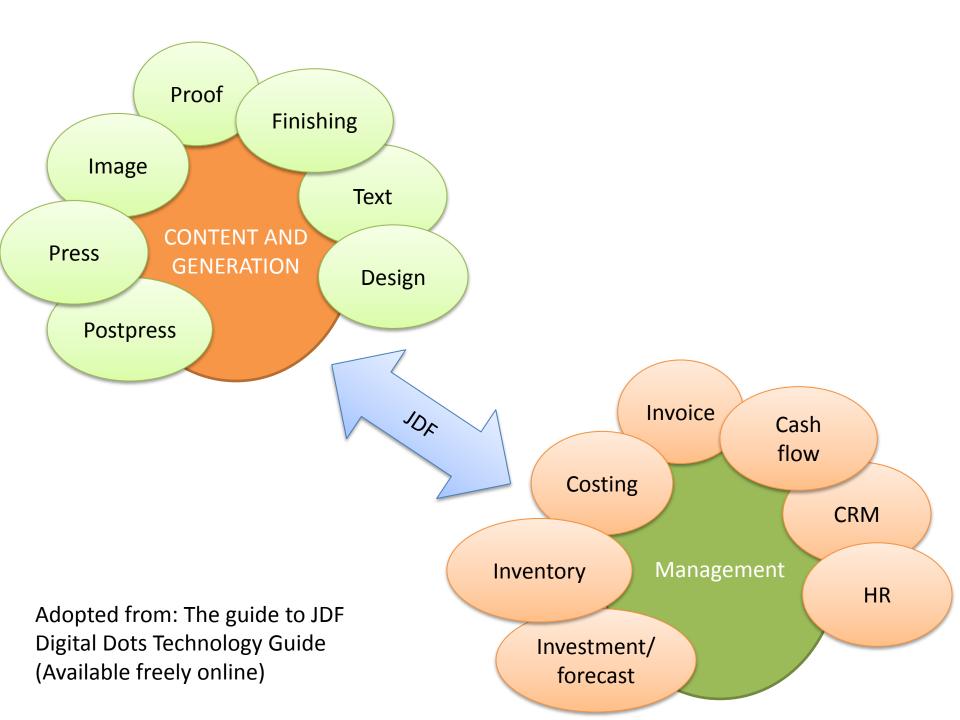
JDF

Job Definition Format

What is JDF?

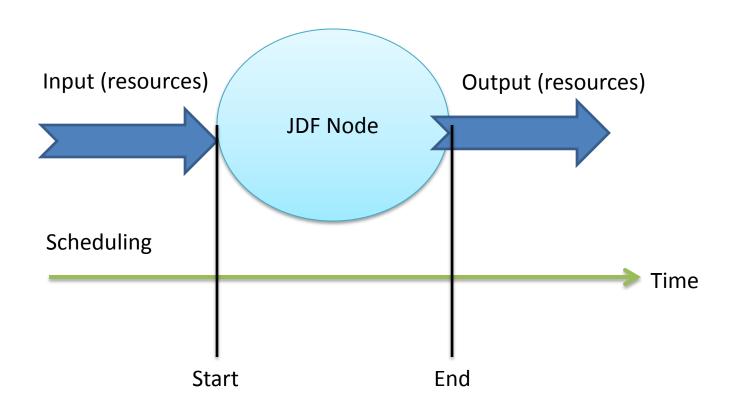
 It is an XML driven file format for seamless integration between different action centers in the print production system. Check the diagram in next slide.



Why JDF?

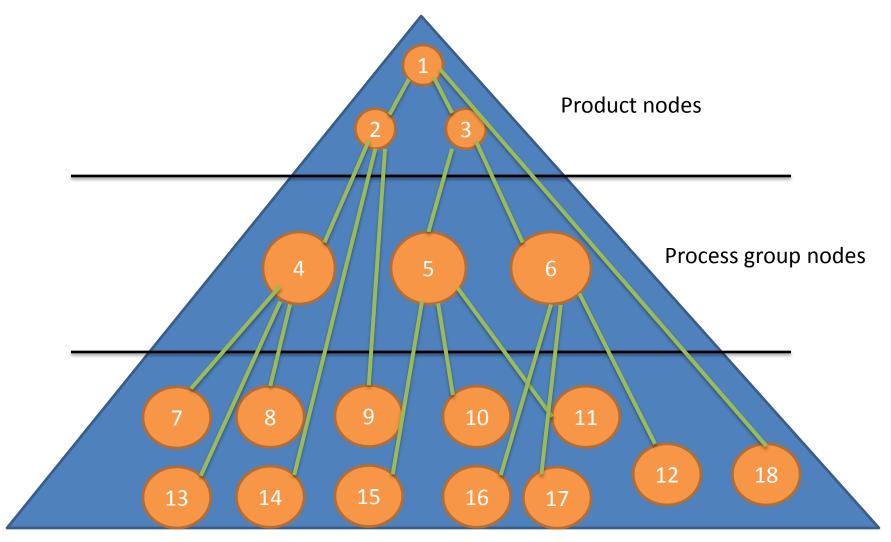
- Process automation
- Extensibility
- Digital conversation between process nodes
- Efficiently screening between messages/information and content for print publishing

Nodes in JDF



Adopted from: Kuehn W, (2008): ADVANCED MODELING OF NETWORKED PRINT PRODUCTION BY USE OF XML-BASED JOB DEFINITION AND JOB MESSAGING COMMUNICATION. *Proceedings of the 2008 Winter Simulation Conference*

Nodal representation of JDF



Individual Process Nodes

# Nodes	Meaning	
1	A journal	
2	Papers	
3	Cover	
4	Production of cover	
5	Production of black and white pages	
6	Production of color pages	
7	Cover design	
8	Cover image production	
9	Finishing process	
10	Plate making	
11	Printing of black and white pages	
12	Printing of color pages	
13	Color matching	
14	RIP-ing color pages	

Practice (Optional)

 A printing job has a cover and 12 pages to print. 6 pages are color rest are black and white. It will be center pinned. It will be delivered by evening cargo. Try to make a nodal representation of this.

Recommended reading

Chris Tuijn, "Improving and streamlining the workflow in the graphic arts and printing industry," Proc. SPIE 5008, Color Imaging VIII: Processing, Hardcopy, and Applications, (13 January 2003); doi: 10.1117/12.473895

Job Ticket

- What it is?
 - It is the description of entire (printing) job described in a template format. The template is supplied by print-provider and include following items
 - PDF conversion setting (Job Options)
 - Preflight profile
 - Ink and paper stocks to be used
 - Type of binding.....so on

How it looks like?

- JDF is derived as an XML based presentation that contain the nodes (previously described) and associated attributes.
- Think something like an object oriented programming like
 - Node_name.property: (values)

JDF value extraction

 An example. Say the job name is PrintBook_HiPress. A possible declaration in JDF may look like

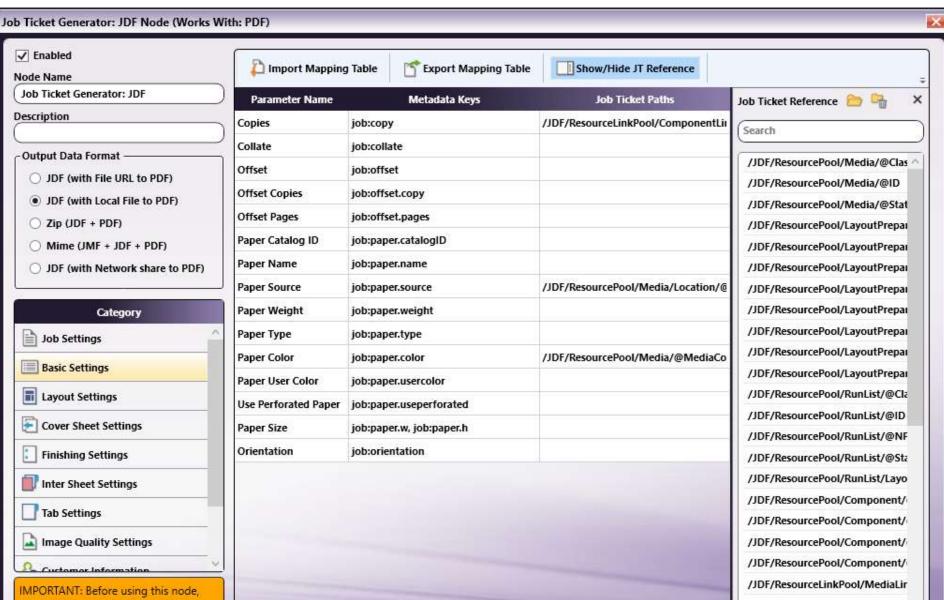
ProductNode.DescriptiveName:PrintBook_HiPress

Root node/parent node

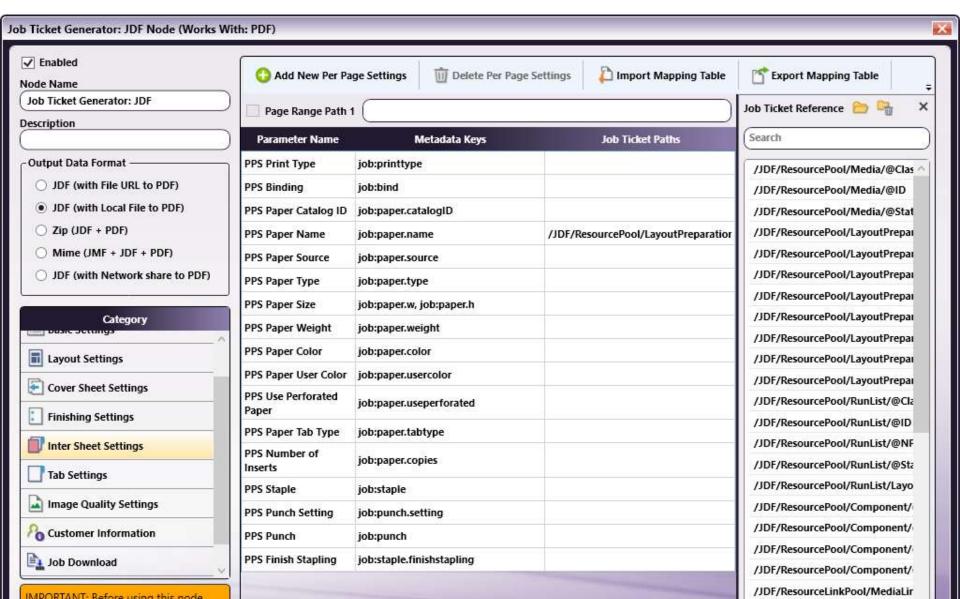
Attribute/property

Value

Let us check a real example!!



Try to analyze this one yourself



Strongly Recommended

 Please visit the following Konica Minolta initiative for better understanding of job ticjet generation process

https://docs.dispatcherphoenix.com/en/process/productionprint/kmi.jdf-generator/

CIPM

- Computer Integrated Printing Manufacturing
 - A framework for digitized printing services
 - It is a handshaking between Information
 Technology (IT) and Manufacturing Technology
 (MT)
 - Aimed for better communication and automation towards increasing productivity and efficiency of printing presses

Types of CIPM

- DNPS Digital Networked Production System
 - All the communications are event-driven
 - Systems are loosely coupled to the events
 - Highly flexible model (advantage)
 - Need to upgrade machineries and existing systems in order to implement DNPS (disadvantage)

Types of CIPM

JDF/CIP4

- A job description format developed by The International Cooperation for Integration of Process, Prepress, Press and Postpress (CIP4)
- Systems are integrated using JDF and Job Message
 Format (JMF)
- Built on an open, standard, modulated architecture (advantage)
- No need to upgrade entire systems (advantage)
- Need JDF compatible machines (disadvantage)

CIPM Framework

- Network installation the established connections between all the machines and system nodes.
- Electronic job ticket contains and carries all the pertinent information and specifications.
- MIS management information system for production and management scheduling and monitoring

CIPM Requirements

Functional requirements –

- Information management: collect, storage, manipulation and retrieval of information
- Decision support: delegation and implementation of different decisions at different levels; from top level management decisions to middle or bottom level shop floor decisions.

CIPM Requirements

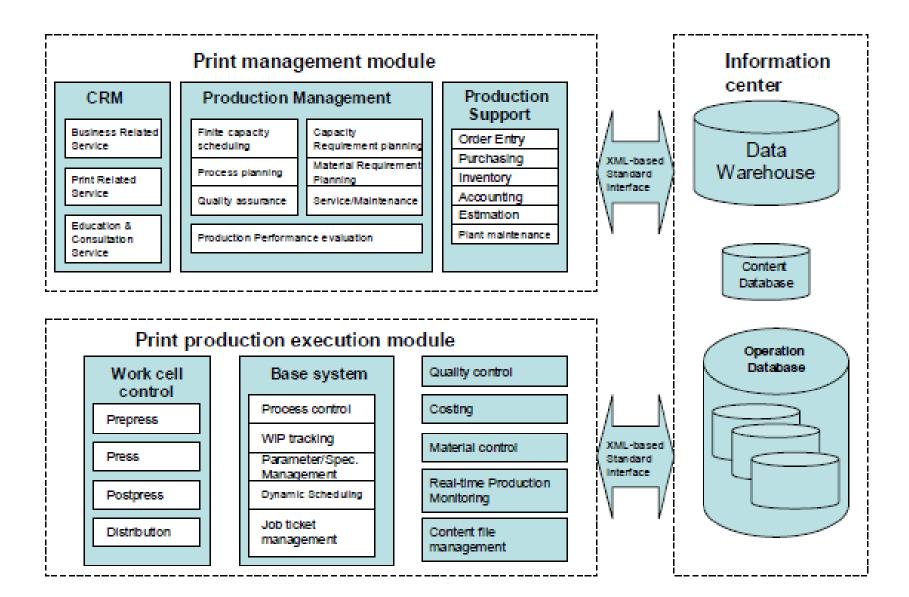
- Process management WORKFLOW
 - Process description
 - Process state transition
 - Process routing

CRM – Internet and web technologies driven

CIPM Requirements

- Architectural requirements
 - Flexibility
 - Compatibility
 - Control policies
 - Incremental development

CIPM Architecture



CIPM Architecture (FOR READING PURPOSE ONLY)

CRM
Business services
Print services
Education and

consultation

services

Production Management

Print capacity Material planning scheduling

Process planning

QA

Performance evaluation

Production Support

Order entry Purchase

Inventory

Accounting

Estimation

Maintenance

Data warehous e

Content DB

Control Processes

Prepress

Press

Postpress

Distribution

Base system

Process control

WIP tracking

Spec management

Dynamic scheduling Job ticket

management

QC

Costing

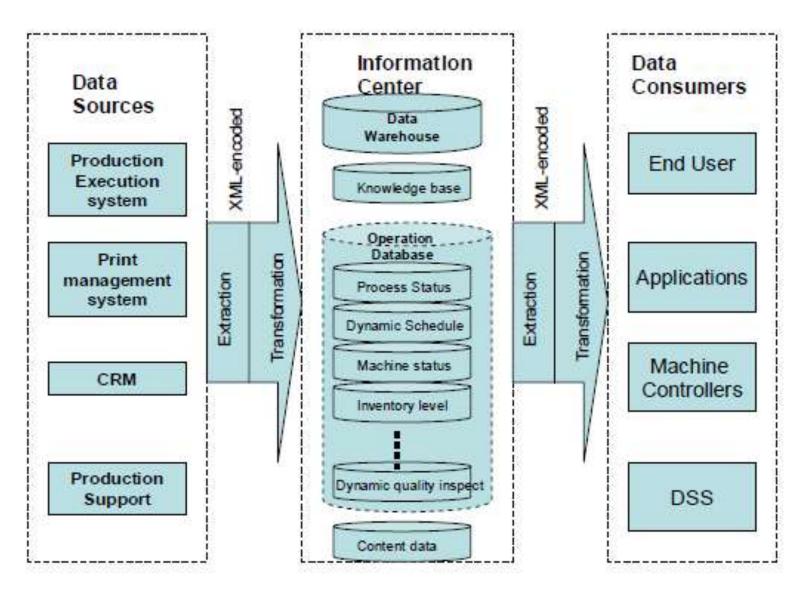
Material control

Real time production monitoring

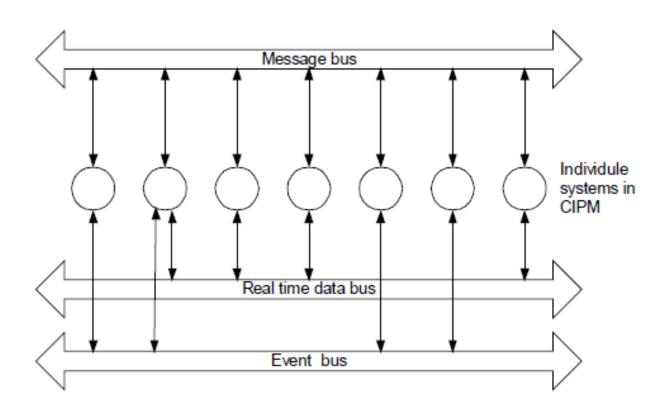
File management

Operation DB

CIPM Information System



System Integration in CIPM

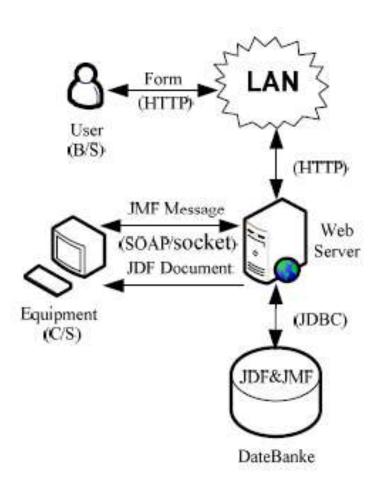


Management Information System (MIS)

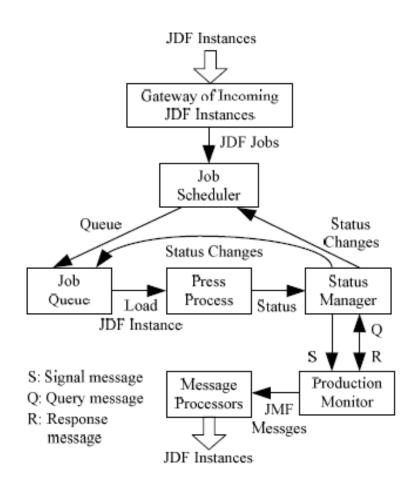
 MIS systems: often, work centers will already be working with some MIS systems for their bookkeeping, planning, stock management etc. Therefore, it is imperative that a workflow server can share data with respect to defined products. The big challenge, however, is to map the MIS representation to the structure of the workflow server. [1]

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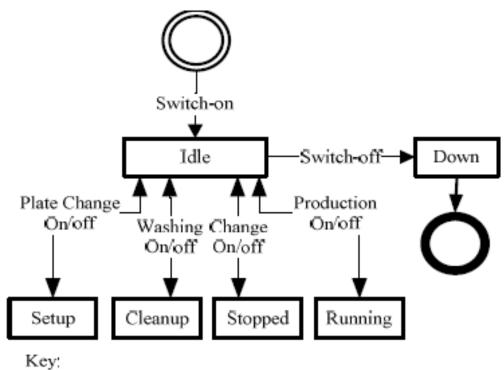
JDF-based MIS [2]



Components of MIS [2]



Device status model [2]



Production: Paper on &(a Print unit & ink ductor on)

[2] *JDF-based Integration Solution for Pressroom,* Luo Ru-bai, Zhou Shi-sheng, Gao Xiao-jing, Zhao Jin-juan, 2008 International Conference on Computer Science and Software Engineering

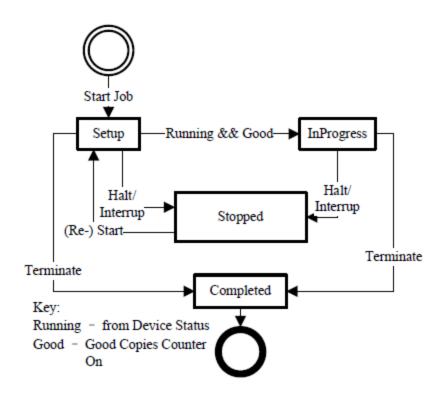
Component services of MIS

- Gateway
- Job Scheduler
- Job Queue
- Press Process
- Status Manager
- Production Monitor
- Message Processor

JMF Signal Message (example)

- <JMF Version="1.3" SenderID="Offset1" TimeStamp="2008-
- 06-01T16:27:00+08:00"... >
- <Signal ID="M1" Type="Status">
- <DeviceInfo Speed="0" DeviceStatus="Cleanup"
- StatusDetails="CylinderWash" PowerOnTime="2008-06-
- 01T16:02:00+08:00" CounterUnit="Sheets">
- <JobPhase JobID="MD-1234" JobPartID="XAUT-12-
- PRINT-01" Status="Stopped" StatusDetails="interrupted"
- StartTime="2008-06-01T16:02:00+08:00" Amount="1000"
- PercentCompleted="50" TotalAmount="2000"
- QueueEntryID="X01" Waste="0"/>
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- </JMF>

Job Phase Model



Status	DeviceStatus	Status Detail s
Setup	Setup	Waste
Inprogress	Running	Good Waste
Stopped	Stopped Cleanup	Interrupted
Completed	Idle Down	-