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Chapter 1

Introduction

Execution of jobs at batch clusters is the major part of the data analysis, production and other computational tasks and applications in many research areas. In the Grid infrastructure [1], such clusters are not necessarily local to a job submission site, but can be widely distributed. This implies extra requirements for the proper description of job options. The Globus[®] project [2] developed a Grid middleware toolkit, which makes use of the *Resource Specification Language (RSL)* [3] to parse job options and definitions to resource management systems. The NorduGrid project [4] developed the Advanced Resource Connector (ARC), – a solution [5, 6] for a Grid facility, suitable for complex tasks, like, for example, a High Energy Physics production. To match the complexity of such tasks, this solution requires certain extensions to the RSL.

To describe a task to be submitted to the ARC-enabled resources, an extended version of the Globus[®] RSL is used. The extensions concern not only introduction of new attributes, but also differentiation between two levels of the job options specifications:

User-side RSL, i.e., the set of attributes specified by a user in a job-specific file. This file is interpreted by the *User Interface (UI)* [7], and after the necessary modifications is parsed to the *Grid Manager (GM)* [8]

GM-side RSL, i.e., the set of attributes pre-processed by the UI, and ready to be interpreted by the GM

A user only has to know the user-side part, and utilize it to describe the Grid tasks. The Grid Manager, however, uses slightly different notations, supplied by the User Interface.

In what follows, the description of the NorduGrid-extended RSL, further denoted as **xRSL**, is given, using the following notations:

<xxxx>	parameter to be substituted with a corresponding string or a number
[xxxx]	optional parameter
xxx yyy zzz	list of possible values of a parameter
–"–	"same as above"

Chapter 2

xRSL syntax and rules

For a complete description of Globus[®] RSL, see reference [3]. xRSL uses the same syntax conventions, although changes the meaning and interpretation of some attributes.

2.1 Syntax

A Grid task is described by the mean of xRSL attributes, which can be either passed via a command-line, or, more conveniently, be collected a so-called xRSL-file (suggested extension *.xrsf*). Such a file contains a plain list of attribute-value pairs and boolean operands "&" (for AND) and "|" (for OR). Attribute names are case-insensitive.

If the attributes are specified from the command line, the entire description must be enclosed either in single or in double quotes. Single quotes enclosure is completely analogous to xRSL-file usage, while double quotes imply standard shell expansion of the enclosed string. This has implications when strings contain local shell variables: they **will not be expanded** unless the task description is entered from the command line and is enclosed in double quotes.

An attribute-value pair is a key element of specification. It consists of an expression that assigns one or more values to an attribute, and is enclosed in round brackets:

```
(attribute="value")  
(attribute="value1" "value2") (for multi-valued attributes)
```

Certain attributes do not have assigned value; instead, they contain a list of values that should be put in proper correspondence with each other:

```
(attribute=("value1" "value2")("value3" "value4"))
```

In the example above, `value1` and `value3` are put in correspondence to `value2` and `value4` respectively, according to the context of the attribute.

Values should be enclosed in quotes if they contain blank spaces or special characters. The **special characters** are:

```
+ & | ( ) = < > ! " ' ^ # $
```

To quote a string containing special characters, you can use either single or double quotes. If your string, however, contains both such characters, you can define any character as an own delimiter, by preceding it with the "carat" (^) character: `attribute=~*My "good" value~*` makes use of a carat-escaped asterisk as a delimiter.

Typically, an xRSL job description starts with an ampersand ("&") , to indicate implicit **conjunction** of all the attributes:

```
&(attribute1=value1)(attribute2="value 2")...
```

Whenever a **disjunct**-request of two or more attributes is needed, the following construction can be used:

```
(|(attribute="value1")(attribute="value2")...)
```

In expressions, the following operands are allowed:

```
=    !=    >    <    >=    <=
```

Commented lines should start with "(" and be closed with "*)":

```
(*attribute="value1"*)
```

Comments can not be nested.

Multiple job description in one file is realized via a standard Globus[®] RSL multi-request operand "+", which should precede multiple job description:

```
+(&(...))(&(...))(&(...))
```

The xRSL attributes can be written in a single string, or split in lines arbitrary; blank spaces between and inside (attribute="value") relations are ignored.

2.2 URLs

File locations in ARC can be specified both as local file names, and as Internet standard *Uniform Resource Locators (URL)*. There are also some additional URL *options* that can be used.

The following transfer protocols and metadata servers are supported:

ftp	ordinary <i>File Transfer Protocol (FTP)</i>
gsiftp	GridFTP, the Globus [®] -enhanced FTP protocol with security, encryption, etc. developed by The Globus Alliance [2]
http	ordinary <i>Hyper-Text Transfer Protocol (HTTP)</i> with PUT and GET methods using multiple streams
https	HTTP with SSL v3
httpg	HTTP with Globus [®] GSI
ldap	ordinary <i>Lightweight Data Access Protocol (LDAP)</i> [9]
rc	Globus [®] <i>Replica Catalog (RC)</i> [10]
rls	Globus [®] <i>Replica Location Service (RLS)</i> [11]
fireman	Fireman indexing service of EGEE gLite [12]
lfc	LFC catalog and indexing service of EGEE gLite [12]
se	ARC Smart Storage Element service [13]
srm	Storage Resource Manager (SRM) service [14]
file	local to the host file name with a full path

An URL can be used in a standard form, i.e.

```
<protocol>://host[:port]/<file>
```

Or, to enhance the performance, it can have additional options:


```
<protocol>://host[:port][;option[;option[...]]/<file>
```

For a metadata service URL, construction is the following:

```
rc://rc://[location[|location[...]]@<host>[:port]/<DN>/<lfn>
rls://[url[|url[...]]@<host>[:port]/<lfn>
fireman://[url[|url[...]]@<host>[:port]/<service_path>?<lfn>
lfc://[url[|url[...]]@<host>[:port]/<lfn>
```

For the Smart Storage Element service, the syntax is

```
se://host[:port][;options]/path[?file_id]
```

For the SRM service, the syntax is

```
srm://<host>[:port][;options]/[service_path?SFN=]<file_id>
```

Versions 1.1 and 2.2 of the SRM protocol are supported. The default *service_path* is srm/managerv2 when the server supports v2.2, srm/managerv1 otherwise.

The URL components are:

location	<location_name_in_RC>[;option[;option[...]]]
host[:port]	IP address of a server
DN	Distinguished Name (as in LDAP) of an RC collection
lfn	Logical File Name
url	URL of the file as registered in RLS/Fireman
service_path	End-point path of the Web service
file	local to the host file name with a full path

The following options are supported for location URLs:

<code>threads=<number></code>	specifies number of parallel streams to be used by GridFTP or HTTP(s,g); default value is 1, maximal value is 10
<code>cache=yes no renew</code>	indicates whether the GM should cache the file; default for input files is yes . renew forces a download of the file, even if the cached copy is still valid. (NB: cached files can not be modified by jobs)
<code>readonly=yes no</code>	for transfers to <code>file://</code> destinations, specifies whether the file should be read-only (unmodifiable) or not; default is yes
<code>secure=yes no</code>	indicates whether the GridFTP data channel should be encrypted; default is no
<code>blocksize=<number></code>	specifies size of chunks/blocks/buffers used in GridFTP or HTTP(s,g) transactions; default is protocol dependent
<code>checksum=cksum md5</code>	specifies the algorithm for checksum to be computed (ev. provided to the indexing server). This is overridden by any metadata options specified (see below).
<code>exec=yes no</code>	means the file should be treated as executable
<code>preserve=yes no</code>	specify if file must be uploaded to this destination even if job processing failed (default is no)
<code>pattern=<pattern></code>	defines file matching pattern; currently works for file listing requests sent to an <code>se://</code> endpoint
<code>guid=yes no</code>	make software use GUIDs instead of LFNs while communicating to indexing services; meaningful for <code>rls://</code> only
<code>overwrite=yes no</code>	make software try to overwrite existing file(s), i.e. before writing to destination, tools will try to remove any information/content associated with specified URL
<code>protocol=gsi gssapi</code>	to distinguish between two kinds of <code>httpg</code> . <code>gssapi</code> stands for implementation using only GSSAPI functions to wrap data and <code>gsi</code> uses additional headers as implemented in Globus IO
<code>spacetoken=<pattern></code>	specify the space token to be used for uploads to SRM storage elements supporting SRM version 2.2 or higher

Local files are referred to by specifying either a location relative to the job submission working directory, or by an absolute path (the one that starts with `"/`"), preceded with a `file://` prefix.

Metadata service URLs also support metadata options which can be used for register additional metadata attributes or query the service using metadata attributes. These options are specified at the end of the LFN and consist of name and value pairs separated by colons. The following attributes are supported:

<code>guid</code>	GUID of the file in the metadata service
<code>checksumtype</code>	Type of checksum. Supported values are <code>cksum</code> (default), <code>md5</code> and <code>ad</code> (adler32 checksum)
<code>checksumvalue</code>	The checksum of the file

Currently these metadata options are only supported for `lfc://` URLs.

Examples of URLs are:

```
http://grid.domain.org/dir/script.sh
gsiftp://grid.domain.org:2811;threads=10;secure=yes/dir/input_12378.dat
ldap://grid.domain.org:389/lc=collection1,rc=Nordugrid,dc=nordugrid,dc=org
rc://grid.domain.org/lc=collection1,rc=Nordugrid,dc=nordugrid,dc=org/zebra/f1.zebra
rls://gsiftp://se.domain.org/datapath/file25.dat@grid.domain.org:61238/myfile02.dat1
fireman://fireman_host:8443/glite-data-catalog-interface/FiremanCatalog?data.root
file:///home/ausser/griddir/steer.cra
lfc://srm://srm.domain.org/griddir@lfc.domain.org//user/file1:guid=\
bc68cdd0-bf94-41ce-ab5a-06a1512764dc:checksumtype=ad:checksumvalue=123456782
```

```
lfc:///;cache=no@lfc.domain.org/:guid=bc68cdd0-bf94-41ce-ab5a-06a1512764d3
```

¹This is a destination URL. The file will be copied to the GridFTP server at se.domain.org with the path datapath/file25.dat and registered in the RLS indexing service at grid.domain.org with the LFN myfile02.dat.

²This is a destination URL. The file will be copied to srm.domain.org at the path griddir/file1 and registered to the LFC service at lfc.domain.org with the LFN /user/file1. The given GUID and checksum attributes will be registered.

³This is a source URL. The file is registered in the LFC service at lfc.domain.org with the given GUID and can be copied or queried by this URL. Note that as URL options are part of the location (physical) URL, in meta service URLs the options must be part of the location URL, even if the location URL is empty.

Chapter 3

Attributes

Most of the attributes introduced originally by Globus[®] RSL 1.0 are supported, some with modifications as indicated in this document. Many new attributes are introduced, of which some are to be specified in the user's script, and others are internal for the GM (are added or modified by the UI).

Attribute names are case-insensitive, although assigned values may well be case-sensitive, if they represent file names, environment variables etc..

3.1 User-side attributes

The following attributes can be specified in a user's xRSL script. Some are to be modified by the UI before being passed to the GM. If this is the case, corresponding GM input is described.

executable

(ARC 0.3, ARC 0.4, ARC 0.5, ARC 0.6)

User input: `(executable=<string>)`

GM input: for $\text{ARC} \leq 0.5.25$: `(executable="/bin/echo")`

Example: `(executable="local_to_job.exe")`

The executable to be submitted as a main task to a Local Resource Management System (LRMS).

string file name (including path), local to the computing element (CE)

Executable is a file that has to be executed as the main process of the task. It could be either a pre-compiled binary, or a script. Users may transfer their own executables, or use the ones known to be already installed on the remote system (CE).

If an executable has to be transferred to the destination site (CE) from some source, it has to be specified in the `inputFiles` list. If it is not specified in `inputFiles`, the source is expected to be local to the user (client) and will be added as such to the `inputFiles` list by the UI.

If the file name starts with a leading slash ("`/`"), it is considered to be **the full path to the executable at the destination site (CE)**; otherwise the location of the file is **relative** to the session directory (where job input and files are stored).

If the xRSL string is entered from the command line and is enclosed in double quotes, standard shell expansion of variables takes place. That is, if the file name contains an environment variable ("`$...`"), the value of this variable is resolved locally, but if the name itself is also enclosed in double quotes, it will be resolved at the remote computing element:

`(executable=$ROOT_DIR/myprog.exe)` – `$ROOT_DIR` is resolved locally (*will cause errors if the path does not exist at the execution machine*)

`(executable="$ROOT_DIR/myprog.exe")` – `$ROOT_DIR` will be resolved remotely

For $\text{ARC} \leq 0.5.25$, UI created a dummy executable attribute for internal GM use, with e.g., `"/bin/echo"` as an argument (unless the specified executable itself started with `"/"`). The actual executable was transferred by the UI to `arguments`, `inputFiles` and `executables` lists in the pre-processed xRSL script.

arguments

(ARC 0.3, ARC 0.4, ARC 0.5, ARC 0.6)

User input: `(arguments=<string> [string] ...)`

GM input: `(arguments=<executable> <string> [string] ...)`

Example: `(arguments="10000" $(ATLAS)/input.dat)`

List of the arguments for the executable.

string	an argument
executable	the executable to be run by LRMS, taken by the UI from the user-specified executable attribute

For $\text{ARC} \leq 0.5.25$, UI added the name specified in **executable** to the **arguments** list in the pre-processed xRSL script.

inputFiles

(ARC 0.3, ARC 0.4, ARC 0.5, ARC 0.6)

User input: `(inputFiles=(<filename> <location>) ...)`

GM input: `(inputFiles=(<filename> <URL>)`
`(<filename> [size] [.checksum]) ...)`

Example: `(inputFiles=("local_to_job" "gsiftp://se1.lu.se/p1/remote_one")`
`("local_to_job.dat" "/scratch/local_to_me.dat")`
`("same_name_as_in_my_current_dir" ""))`

List of files to be copied to the computing element before the execution.

filename	file name, local to the computing element and always relative to the session directory
location	location of the file (gsiftp , https , ftp , http URLs, or a path, local to the submission node). If void (<code>""</code>), use the quotes!, the input file is taken from the submission directory.
URL	URL of the file (see Section 2.2)
size	file size in bytes
checksum	file checksum (as returned by cksum)

If the list does not contain the standard input file (as specified by **stdin**) and/or the executable file (as specified by **executable** if the given name), the UI appends these files to the list. If the **<location>** is a URL, it is passed by the UI to the GM without changes; if it is a local path (or void, `""`), the UI converts it to **<size>** and **<checksum>** and uploads those files to the execution cluster.

Please note that the **inputFiles** attribute is not meant to operate with directories: you must specify a pair (`"<local_to_job>" "[source]"`) for each file.

For $\text{ARC} \leq 0.5.25$, UI added the name specified in **executable** to the **inputFiles** list in the pre-processed xRSL script.

executables

(ARC 0.3, ARC 0.4, ARC 0.5, ARC 0.6)

User input: (executables=<string> [string] ...)

GM input: --

Example: (executables="myscript.sh" "myjob.exe")

List of files from the `inputFiles` set, which will be given executable permissions.

string file name, local to the computing element and relative to the session directory

If the executable file (as specified in `executable` and is relative to the session directory) is not listed, it will be added to the list by the UI.

cache(ARC \geq 0.3.34, ARC 0.4, ARC 0.5, ARC 0.6)

User input: (cache="yes"|"no")

GM input: --

Example: (cache="yes")

Specifies whether input files specified in the `inputFiles` should be placed by default in the cache or not. This does not affect files described by the `executables`, which will be placed in the session directory always.

If not specified, default value is "yes".

Cached files can not be modified by jobs by default. If your job has to modify input files, please specify (cache="no") or use (readonly="no") URL option for those files.

outputFiles

(ARC 0.3, ARC 0.4, ARC 0.5, ARC 0.6)

User input: (outputFiles=(<string> <URL>) ...)

GM input: --

Example: (outputFiles=("local_to_job.dat" "gsiftp://se1.uo.no/stored.dat")
 ("local_to_job.dat" "rc://rc1.uc.dk/set1/stored_and_indexed.dat")
 ("local_to_job_dir/" ""))

List of files to be retrieved by the user or uploaded by the GM and indexed (registered) in a data indexing service, e.g. Globus[®] RLS or Fireman.

string file name, local to the *Computing Element (CE)*. If this string ends with a backslash "/" and <URL> is empty, the entire directory is being kept at the execution site. If however this string ends with a backslash "/" but the <URL> starts with `gsiftp` or `ftp`, the whole directory is transferred to the destination.

URL URL of the remote file (see Section 2.2); if void ("", use the quotes!), the file is kept for manual retrieval. Note that this can not be a local file:// URL.

Using a Replica Catalog pseudo-URL (see Section 2.2), you should make sure that the location is already defined in the Replica Catalog. If more than one such location is specified, only those found in the Replica

Catalog for this collection will be used. Grid Manager will store output files in **one** location only: the first randomly picked location that exists. If no locations are specified, all those found in the Replica Catalog for this collection will be tried.

If in a `rc://` pseudo-URL the server component `host[:port]/DN` is not specified, server specified in the `replicaCollection` attribute will be used.

If the list does not contain standard output, standard error file names and GM log-files directory name (as specified by `stdout`, `stderr` and `gmlog`), the UI appends these items to the `outputFiles` list. If the `<URL>` is not specified (void, "", use the quotes!), files will be kept on SE and should be downloaded by the user via the UI. If specified name of file ends with `"/"`, the entire directory is kept.

A convenient way to keep the entire job directory at the remote site for a manual retrieval is to specify (`outputfiles=("/" "")`).

In some cases, the list of output files may only be known after the job has completed. ARC allows a user to specify a list of output files dynamically in a file or files in the session directory as part of their job. The file(s) containing the output file information can be defined in the xRSL script as the path to the file relative to the session directory preceded by '@'. The format of these files is lines of 2 values separated by a space. The first value contains name of the output file relative to the session directory and the second value is a URL to which the file will be uploaded.

```
Example:  (outputFiles=("@output.files" ""))
          output.files is generated by the user and contains
          file1 gsiftp://grid.domain.org/file1
          file2 gsiftp://grid.domain.org/file2
```

After the job completes, the file `output.files` in the session directory will be read and any files described within will be uploaded to the given URLs.

Please note that the `outputFiles` attribute is not meant to operate with directories: you must specify a pair ("`<local_to_job>`" "`[destination]`") for each file. One exception is when you want to preserve an entire directory at the remote computer for later **manual** download via **ngget**. In that case, simply add the trailing backslash `"/` at the end of the remote directory name. You can not upload a directory to a URL location, only to your local disk.

cpuTime

(ARC \geq 0.3.17*, ARC 0.4, ARC 0.5, ARC 0.6)

```
User input:  (cpuTime=<time>)
GM input:    (cpuTime=<tttt>)
Example:     (cpuTime="240")
```

Maximal CPU time request for the job.

```
time  time (minutes)
tttt  time converted by the UI from time to minutes (ARC  $\leq$  0.5.26)
      or seconds (ARC  $\geq$  0.5.27)
```

If only number is specified, the time is assumed to be minutes (ARC \leq 0.5.26) or seconds (ARC \geq 0.5.27). Otherwise, a free format is accepted, i.e., any of the following will be interpreted properly (make sure to enclose such strings in quotes!):

*Was called `maxCpuTime` for ARC \leq 0.3.16.


```
"1 week"
"3 days"
"2 days, 12 hours"
"1 hour, 30 minutes"
"36 hours"
"9 days"
"240 minutes"
```

If both `cpuTime` and `wallTime` are specified, the UI converts them both to seconds. `cpuTime` can not be specified together with `gridTime` or `benchmarks`.

This attribute should be used to direct the job to a system with sufficient CPU resources, typically, a batch queue with the sufficient upper time limit. Jobs exceeding this maximum most likely will be **terminated** by remote systems! If time limits are not specified, the limit is not set and jobs can run as long as the system settings allow (note that in this case you can not avoid queues with too short time limits).

wallTime

(ARC $\geq 0.5.27$, ARC 0.6)

User input: (`wallTime=<time>`)

GM input: (`wallTime=<tttt>`)

Example: (`wallTime="240"`)

Maximal wall clock time request for the job.

```
time  time (minutes)
tttt  time converted by the UI from time to seconds
```

If only number is specified, the time is assumed to be seconds. Otherwise, a free format is accepted, i.e., any of the following will be interpreted properly (make sure to enclose such strings in quotes!):

```
"1 week"
"3 days"
"2 days, 12 hours"
"1 hour, 30 minutes"
"36 hours"
"9 days"
"240 minutes"
```

If both `cpuTime` and `wallTime` are specified, the UI converts them both to seconds. `wallTime` can not be specified together with `gridTime` or `benchmarks`. If only `wallTime` is specified, but not `cpuTime`, the corresponding `cpuTime` value is evaluated by the UI and added to the job description.

This attribute should be used to direct the job to a system with sufficient CPU resources, typically, a batch queue with the sufficient upper time limit. Jobs exceeding this maximum most likely will be **terminated** by remote systems! If time limits are not specified, the limit is not set and jobs can run as long as the system settings allow (note that in this case you can not avoid queues with too short time limits).

gridTime

(ARC \geq 0.3.31, ARC 0.4, ARC 0.5, ARC 0.6)

User input: (gridTime=<time>)

GM input: none

Example: (gridTime="2 h")

Maximal CPU time request for the job scaled to the 2.8 GHz Intel® Pentium® 4 processor.

time time (minutes)

The attribute is completely analogous to `cpuTime`, except that it will be recalculated to the actual CPU time request for each queue, depending on the published processor clock speed.

`gridTime` can not be specified together with `cpuTime` or `wallTime`. If only `gridTime` is specified, but not `cpuTime`, the corresponding `cpuTime` value is evaluated by the UI and added to the job description.

benchmarks

(ARC \geq 0.5.14, ARC 0.6)

User input: (benchmarks=(<string> <value> <time>) ...)

GM input:

Example: (benchmarks=("mybenchmark" "10" "1 hour, 30 minutes"))

Evaluate a job's `cpuTime` based on benchmark values.

string benchmark name
value benchmark value of reference machine
time the `cpuTime` the job requires on the reference machine

`benchmarks` can not be specified together with `cpuTime` or `wallTime`. If only `benchmarks` is specified, but not `cpuTime`, the corresponding `cpuTime` value is evaluated by the UI and added to the job description.

memory

(ARC \geq 0.3.17[†], ARC 0.4, ARC 0.5, ARC 0.6)

User input: (memory=<integer>)

GM input: --

Example: (memory>="500")

Memory required for the job.

integer size (Mbytes)

Just like `cpuTime`, this attribute should be used to direct a job to a resource with a sufficient capacity. Jobs exceeding this memory limit will most likely be **terminated** by the remote system.

disk

(ARC \geq 0.3.17[‡], ARC 0.4, ARC 0.5, ARC 0.6)

[†]Was called `maxMemory` for ARC \leq 0.3.16

[‡]Was called `maxDisk` for ARC \leq 0.3.16

User input: (disk=<integer>)

GM input: none

Example: (disk="500")

Disk space required for the job.

integer disk space, Mbytes

This attribute is used at the job submission time to find a system with sufficient disk space. However, it **does not guarantee** that this space will be available at the end of the job, as most known systems do not allow for disk space allocation. Eventually, a remote system can terminate a job that exceeds the requested disk space.

runTimeEnvironment

(ARC 0.3, ARC 0.4, ARC 0.5, ARC 0.6)

User input: (runTimeEnvironment=<string>)(runTimeEnvironment=<string>)

GM input: For $\text{ARC} \leq 0.5.39$: (runTimeEnvironment="<string>" "<string>")

Example: (runTimeEnvironment>="APPS/HEP/ATLAS-10.0.1")

Required runtime environment.

string environment name

The site to submit the job to will be chosen by the UI among those advertising specified runtime environments. Before starting the job, the GM will set up environment variables and paths according to those requested. Runtime environment names are defined by Virtual Organizations, and tend to be organized in name spaces.

To request several environments, repeat the attribute string:

(runTimeEnvironment="ENV1")(runTimeEnvironment="ENV2") etc. In $\text{ARC} \leq 0.5.39$, before being submitted to the GM, a grouping was done by the UI, such that GM input was, e.g., (runTimeEnvironment="ENV1" "ENV2").

To make a disjunct-request, use a boolean expression:

(!(runTimeEnvironment="env1")(runTimeEnvironment="env2")).

You can use ">=" or "<=" operators: job will be submitted to any suitable site that satisfies such requirements, and among the available at the sites runtime environments, the highest version satisfying a requirement will be requested in the pre-processed xRSL script.

Runtime environment string interpretation is case-insensitive. If a runtime environment string consists of a name and a version number, a partial specification is possible: it is sufficient to request only the name and use ">" or ">=" operators to select the highest version.

middleware

(ARC 0.3, ARC 0.4, ARC 0.5, ARC 0.6)

User input: (middleware=<string>)

GM input: --

Example: (middleware="nordugrid-arc-0.5.99")

Required middleware.

string Grid middleware name.

The site to submit the job to will be chosen by the UI among those advertising specified middleware. Usage is identical to that of the `runTimeEnvironment`. Use the ">=" operator to request a version "equal or higher". Request (middleware="nordugrid-arc") defaults to (middleware>="nordugrid-arc-0.0.0.0").

opsys

(ARC \geq 0.3.21, ARC 0.4, ARC 0.5, ARC 0.6)

User input: (opsys=<string>)

GM input: --

Example: (opsys="FC3")

Required operating system.

string Operating system name and version.

The site to submit the job to will be chosen by the UI among those advertising specified operating system. Usage is identical to that of **runTimeEnvironment** and **middleware**. Use the ">=" operator to request a version "equal or higher".

stdin

(ARC 0.3, ARC 0.4, ARC 0.5, ARC 0.6)

User input: (stdin=<string>)

GM input: --

Example: (stdin="myinput.dat")

The standard input file.

string file name, local to the computing element

The standard input file should be listed in the **inputFiles** attribute; otherwise it will be forced to that list by the UI.

stdout

(ARC 0.3, ARC 0.4, ARC 0.5, ARC 0.6)

User input: (stdout=<string>)

GM input: --

Example: (stdout="myoutput.txt")

The standard output file.

string file name, local to the computing element and relative to the session directory.

The standard output file should be listed in the **outputFiles** attribute; otherwise it will be forced to that list by the UI. If the standard output is not defined, UI assigns a name.

stderr

(ARC 0.3, ARC 0.4, ARC 0.5, ARC 0.6)

User input: (stderr=<string>)

GM input: --

Example: (stderr="myjob.err")

The standard error file.

string file name, local to the computing element and relative to the session directory.

The standard error file should be listed as an `outputFiles` attribute; otherwise it will be forced to that list by the UI. If the standard error is not defined, UI assigns a name. If `join` is specified with value "yes", UI adds `stderr` to the pre-processed xRSL script with the same value as `stdout`.

join

(ARC 0.3, ARC 0.4, ARC 0.5, ARC 0.6)

User input: `(join="yes"|"no")`

GM input: none

Example: `(join="yes")`

If "yes", joins `stderr` and `stdout` files into the `stdout` one. Default is `no`.

gmlog

(ARC 0.3, ARC 0.4, ARC 0.5, ARC 0.6)

User input: `(gmlog=<string>)`

GM input: `--`

Example: `(gmlog="myjob.log")`

A name of the directory containing grid-specific diagnostics per job.

string a directory, local to the computing element and relative to the session directory

This directory is kept in the session directory to be available for retrieval (UI forces it to the list if `outputFiles`)

jobName

(ARC 0.3, ARC 0.4, ARC 0.5, ARC 0.6)

User input: `(jobName=<string>)`

GM input: `--`

Example: `(jobName="My Job nr. 1")`

User-specified job name.

string job name

This name is meant for convenience of the user. It can be used to select the job while using the UI. It is also available through the Information System.

ftpThreads

(ARC 0.3, ARC 0.4, ARC 0.5, ARC 0.6)

User input: `(ftpThreads=<integer>)`

GM input: `--`

Example: `(ftpThreads="4")`

Defines how many parallel streams will be used by the GM during `gsiftp` and `http(s|g)` transfers of files.

integer a number from 1 to 10

If not specified, parallelism is not used.

acl

(ARC \geq 0.5.12, ARC 0.6)

Available in ARC v0.5.12 and higher.

User input: (acl=<xml>)

GM input: --

Example: (acl="<?xml version='1.0'>
 <gac1 version='0.0.1'><entry><any-user></any-user>
 <allow><write/><read/><list/><admin/></allow></entry></gac1>")

Makes use of GACL [15] rules to list users who are allowed to access and control job in addition to job's owner. Access and control levels are specified per user. **any-user** tag refers to any user authorized at the execution cluster. To get more information about GACL please refer to <http://www.gridsite.org>.

xml a GACL-compliant XML string defining access control list

Following job control levels can be specified via **acl**:

write	-	allows to modify contents of job data (job directory) and control job flow (cancel, clean, etc.)
read	-	allows to read content of job data (contents of job directory)
list	-	allows to list files available for the job (contents of job directory)
admin	-	allows to do everything – full equivalence to job ownership

cluster

(ARC 0.3, ARC 0.4, ARC 0.5, ARC 0.6)

User input: (cluster=<string>)

GM input: --

Example: (cluster="cluster1.site2.org")

The name of the execution cluster.

string known cluster name, or a substring of it

Use this attribute to explicitly force job submission to a cluster, or to avoid such. The job will not be submitted if the cluster does not satisfy other requirements of the job. Disjunct-requests of the kind (**|** (cluster="clus1") (cluster="clus2")) are supported. To exclude a cluster, use (cluster!="clus3").

queue

(ARC 0.3, ARC 0.4, ARC 0.5, ARC 0.6)

User input: (queue=<string>)

GM input: --

Example: (queue="pclong")

The name of the remote batch queue. Use only if you are sure that the queue by this name does exist.

string known queue name

Use this attribute to explicitly force job submission to a queue.

startTime

(ARC 0.3, ARC 0.4, ARC 0.5, ARC 0.6)

User input: (startTime=<time>)

GM input: (startTime=<tttt>)

Example: (startTime="2002-05-25 21:30")

Time to start job processing by the Grid Manager, such as e.g. start downloading input files.

time time string, YYYY-MM-DD hh:mm:ss

tttt time string, YYYYMMDDhhmmss[Z] (converted by the UI from time)

Actual job processing on a worker node starts depending on local scheduling mechanisms, but not sooner than **startTime**.

lifeTime

(ARC 0.3, ARC 0.4, ARC 0.5, ARC 0.6)

User input: (lifeTime=<time>)

GM input: (lifeTime=<tttt>)

Example: (lifeTime="60")

Maximal time to keep job files (the session directory) on the gatekeeper upon job completion.

time time (days)

tttt time (seconds, converted by the UI from time)

Typical life time is 1 day (24 hours). Specified life time can not exceed local settings.

notify

(ARC 0.3, ARC 0.4, ARC 0.5, ARC 0.6)

User input: (notify=<string> [string] ...)

GM input: --

Example: (notify="be your.name@your.domain.com")

Request e-mail notifications on job status change.

string string of the format: [b] [q] [f] [e] [c] user1@domain1 [user2@domain2] ...

here flags indicating the job status are:

b – begin (PREPARING)

q – queued (INLRMS)

f – finalizing (FINISHING)

e – end (FINISHED)

c – cancellation (CANCELLED)

d – deleted (DELETED)

No more than 3 e-mail addresses per status change accepted.

replicaCollection

(ARC 0.3, ARC 0.4, ARC 0.5, ARC 0.6)

User input: (`replicaCollection=<URL>`)GM input: `--`Example: (`replicaCollection="ldap://grid.uio.no:389/lc=TestCollection,
rc=NorduGrid,nordugrid,dc=org"`)

Location of a logical collection in the Replica Catalog.

URL LDAP directory specified as an URL (`ldap://host[:port]/dn`)**rerun**

(ARC 0.3, ARC 0.4, ARC 0.5, ARC 0.6)

User input: (`rerun=<integer>`)GM input: `--`Example: (`rerun="2"`)

Number of reruns (if a system failure occurs).

`integer` an integer number

If not specified, the default is 0. Default maximal allowed value is 5. Before 0.5.29 jobs were rerun automatically and only in case of failure in INLRMS state. Since 0.5.29 job may be rerun after failure in any state for which rerunning has sense. To initiate rerun user has to use `ngresume` command.

architecture

(ARC 0.3, ARC 0.4, ARC 0.5, ARC 0.6)

User input: (`architecture=<string>`)

GM input:

Example: (`architecture="i686"`)

Request a specific architecture.

`string` architecture (e.g., as produced by `uname -a`)**nodeAccess**(ARC \geq 0.3.24, ARC 0.4, ARC 0.5, ARC 0.6)User input: (`nodeAccess="inbound"|"outbound"`)

GM input:

Example: (`nodeAccess="inbound"`)

Request cluster nodes with inbound or outbound IP connectivity. If both are needed, a conjunct request should be specified.

dryRun

(ARC 0.3, ARC 0.4, ARC 0.5, ARC 0.6)

User input: (`dryRun="yes"|"no"`)GM input: `--`Example: (`dryRun="yes"`)

If "yes", do dry-run: RSL is parsed, but no job submission to LRMS is made. Should be used for xRSL and communication validation.

rsl_substitution

(ARC 0.3, ARC 0.4, ARC 0.5, ARC 0.6)

User input: (rsl_substitution=(**<string1>** **<string2>**))

GM input: --

Example: (rsl_substitution=("ATLAS" "/opt/atlas"))

Substitutes **<string2>** with **<string1>** for **internal** RSL use.

string1 new internal RSL variable

string2 any string, e.g., existing combination of variables or a path

Use this attribute to define variables that simplify xRSL editing, e.g. when same path is used in several values, typically in **inputFiles**. Only one pair per substitution is allowed. To request several substitution, concatenate such requests. Bear in mind that substitution must be defined **prior** to actual use of a new variable **string1**.

After the substitution is defined, it should be used in a way similar to shell variables in scripts: enclosed in round brackets, preceded with a dollar sign, **without quotes**:

```
(inputfiles=("myfile" $(ATLAS)/data/somefile))
```

Unlike the **environment** attribute, **rsl_substitution** definition is only used by the client and is valid inside xRSL script. It can not be used to define environment or shell variable at the execution site.

environment

(ARC 0.3, ARC 0.4, ARC 0.5, ARC 0.6)

User input: (environment=(**<VAR>** **<string>**) [**<VAR>** **<string>**] ...)

GM input: --

Example: (environment=("ATLSRC" "/opt/atlas/src")
("ALISRC" "/opt/alice/src"))

Defines execution shell environment variables.

VAR new variable name

string any string, e.g., existing combination of variables or a path

Use this to define variables at an execution site. Unlike the **rsl_substitution** attribute, it can not be used to define variables on the client side.

count

(ARC \geq 0.3.12, ARC 0.4, ARC 0.5, ARC 0.6)

User input: (count=**<integer>**)

GM input: --

Example: (count="4")

Specifies amount of sub-jobs to be submitted for parallel tasks.

jobreport

(ARC \geq 0.3.34, ARC 0.4, ARC 0.5, ARC 0.6)

User input: (jobreport=<URL>)

GM input: --

Example: (jobreport="https://grid.uio.no:8001/logger")

Specifies an URL for a logging service to send reports about job to. The default is set up in the cluster configuration.

URL URL

It is up to a user to make sure the requested logging service accepts reports from the set of clusters she intends to use.

credentialserver

(ARC \geq 0.5.45, ARC 0.6)

User input: (credentialserver=<URL>)

GM input: --

Example: (credentialserver="myproxy://myproxy.nordugrid.org;username=user")

Specifies an URL which Grid Manager may contact to renew/extend delegated proxy of job. Only MyProxy servers are supported.

URL URL of MyProxy server

It is up to a user to make sure the specified MyProxy server will accept requests from Grid Manager to renew expired credentials. URL may contain options `username` and `credname` to specify user name and credentials name which Grid Manager should pass to MyProxy server. If `username` is not specified DN of user credentials is used instead.

3.2 GM-side attributes

The following attributes are constructed by the UI and are parsed to the GM, although users may specify them manually (**not advised!**).

sstdin

(ARC 0.3, ARC 0.4, ARC \leq 0.5.25)

User input:

GM input: (sstdin=<filename>)

Example: (sstdin="myinput.dat")

Internal attribute for the standard input. Can also be spelled `stdin`. Only needed for GRAM compatibility, not used by ARC as such.

filename standard input file name

action

(ARC 0.3, ARC 0.4, ARC 0.5, ARC 0.6)

User input:

GM input: (action="request"|"cancel"|"clean")

Example: (action="request")

Action to be taken by the gatekeeper: submit the job, cancel job execution, or clear the results of the job (also cancels the job).

savestate

(ARC 0.3, ARC 0.4, $\text{ARC} \leq 0.5.25$)

User input:

GM input: `(savestate="yes"|"no")`

Example: `(savestate="yes")`

If "yes", input RSL is stored in a temporary file at the gatekeeper. Must be always set as "yes" in the current implementation. Only needed for GRAM compatibility, not used by ARC as such.

lrmstype

(ARC $\leq 0.3.15$)

User input:

GM input: `(lrmstype=<string>)`

Example: `(lrmstype="pbs")`

LRMS type, indicating which submission script is to be invoked.

`string` LRMS type

hostName

(ARC 0.3, ARC 0.4, ARC 0.5, ARC 0.6)

User input:

GM input: `(hostname=<string>)`

Example: `(hostName="grid.quark.lu.se")`

Submission host name.

`string` host name, as passed by the UI

jobid

(ARC 0.3, ARC 0.4, ARC 0.5, ARC 0.6)

User input:

GM input: `(jobid=<string>)`

Example: `(jobid="grid.quark.lu.se:2119/jobmanager-ng/157111017133827")`

Unique job identification string, needed for cancellation and clean-up.

`string` global job ID

It can also be provided during submission of the job and should be unique to a computing element (cluster).

clientxrsl

(ARC \geq 0.3.28, ARC 0.4, ARC 0.5, ARC 0.6)

User input:

GM input: (clientxrsl=<string>)

Example: (clientxrsl="&(executable=/bin/echo)(arguments=boo)")

Job description XRSL string as submitted by the user, before being pre-processed by the client.

string original XRSL description submitted by the user

This attribute is added by the User Interface during pre-processing, and is used for job re-submission in order to repeat brokering and matchmaking.

clientsoftware

(ARC \geq 0.3.35, ARC 0.4, ARC 0.5, ARC 0.6)

User input:

GM input: (clientsoftware=<string>)

Example: (clientsoftware="nordugrid-arc-0.5.39")

Version of ARC client used to submit the job.

string

This attribute is added by the User Interface during pre-processing.

3.3 Unsupported Globus RSL attributes

The following Globus® attributes are not supported by the ARC middleware. Whenever they are specified, a warning is issued by the UI, and the corresponding attribute is ignored.

3.3.1 Unsupported RSL 1.0 attributes

- (resourceManagerContact=<string>)
- (directory=<string>)
- (maxCpuTime=<time>)
- (maxWallTime=<time>)
- (maxTime=<time>)
- (maxMemory=<memory>)
- (minMemory=<memory>)
- (gramMyJob=independent|collective)
- (project=<string>)
- (hostCount=<number>)
- (label=<string>)
- (subjobCommsType=blocking-join|independent)
- (subjobStartType=strict-barrier|loose-barrier|no-barrier)

3.3.2 Unsupported GRAM RSL attributes

- (directory=<string>)
- (fileCleanUp=<array>)
- (fileStageIn=<array>)
- (fileStageInShared=<array>)
- (fileStageOut=<array>)
- (gassCache=<path>)
- (gramMyJob=independent|collective)
- (hostCount=<number>)
- (jobType=<string>)
- (libraryPath=<path>)
- (maxCpuTime=<time>)
- (maxWallTime=<time>)
- (maxTime=<time>)
- (maxMemory=<memory>)
- (minMemory=<memory>)
- (project=<string>)
- (remoteIoUrl=<string>)
- (scratchDir=<string>)

Chapter 4

XRSL and JSDL

ARC has adopted JSDL [16] as second format for describing job requests*. ARC also adds own extensions to JSDL. Below supported JSDL elements are listed together with corresponding XRSL attributes. Here *jsdl* stands for jsdl namespace, *jsdlPOSIX* – for POSIX extensions, and *jsdlARC* – for ARC extensions.

XRSL attribute	JSDL element	Comments
executable	jsdlPOSIX:Executable	
cpuTime	jsdlPOSIX:CPULimit jsdl:Resources jsdl:TotalCpuTime jsdl:IndividualCpuTime	
arguments	jsdlPOSIX:Argument	
inputFiles	jsdl:DataStaging jsdl:Source jsdl:FileName jsdl:URI	jsdl:DataStaging without URI in Source are treated like user-uploadable files
outputFiles	jsdl:DataStaging jsdl:Target jsdl:FileName jsdl:URI	jsdl:DataStaging without Target and Source or without URI in Target are treated like user-downloadable files
wallTime	jsdlPOSIX:WallTimeLimit	
memory	jsdlPOSIX:MemoryLimit jsdl:Resources jsdl:TotalPhysicalMemory jsdl:IndividualPhysicalMemory	
disk	jsdl:Resources jsdl:TotalDiskSpace jsdl:IndividualDiskSpace	
stdin	jsdlPOSIX:Input	
stdout	jsdlPosix:Output	
stderr	jsdlPOSIX:Error	
jobName	jsdl:JobIdentification	
architecture	jsdl:Resources jsdl:CPUArchitectureName jsdl:CPUArchitecture	
count	jsdl:Resources jsdl:TotalCpuCount jsdl:IndividualCpuCount	

* Available in releases $\geq 0.5.37$, ARC 0.6

executables	jsdl:DataStaging jsdl-arc:IsExecutable	
gridTime	jsdl:Resources jsdl-arc:GridTimeLimit	
runTimeEnvironment	jsdl:Resources jsdl-arc:RunTimeEnvironment	Only "Exact" condition with one Version is supported so far
middleware	jsdl:Resources jsdl-arc:Middleware	Only "Exact" condition with one Version is supported so far
gmlog	jsdl-arc:LocalLogging jsdl-arc:Directory	
acl	jsdl-arc:AccessControl Type=GACL Content	
cluster	jsdl:Resources jsdl-arc:CandidateTarget jsdl-arc:HostName	
queue	jsdl:Resource jsdl-arc:CandidateTarget jsdl-arc:QueueName	
startTime	jsdl-arc:ProcessingStartTime	
lifeTime	jsdl:Resources jsdl-arc:SessionFileTime	
notify	jsdl-arc:Notify jsdl-arc:Type=Email	
rerun	jsdl-arc:Reruns	
jobreport	jsdl-arc:RemoteLogging jsdl-arc:URL	
credentialserver	jsdl-arc:CredentialServer jsdl-arc:URL	

Conditional requests are supported through recursive jsdl:JobDescription - jsdl:JobDescriptin inside jsdl:JobDescription.

Appendix A

Examples

A.1 User-side xRSL script

```
&
(* test run: if "yes", only submits RSL without actual job start *)
  (dryRun="no")
(* some local variables defined for further convenience *)
  (rsl_substitution=("TOPDIR" "/home/johndoe"))
  (rsl_substitution=("NGTEST" "${TOPDIR}/ngtest))
  (rsl_substitution=("BIGFILE" "/scratch/johndoe/100mb.tmp"))
(* some environment variables, to be used by the job *)
  (environment=("ATLAS" "/opt/atlas") ("CERN" "/cern"))
(* the main executable file to be staged in and submitted to the PBS *)
  (executable="checkall.sh")
(* the arguments for the executable above *)
  (arguments="pal")
(* files to be staged in before the execution *)
  (inputFiles = ("be_kaons" ""
    ("file1" gsiftp://grid.uio.no${TOPDIR}/remfile.txt)
    ("bigfile.dat" $(BIGFILE) )
  ))
(* files to be given executable permissions after staging in *)
  (executables="be_kaons")
(* files to be staged out after the execution *)
  (outputFiles=
    ("file1" "gsiftp://grid.tsl.uu.se/tmp/file1.tmp")
    ("100mb.tmp" "rls://rls.nordugrid.org:39281/test/bigfile")
    ("be_kaons.hbook" gsiftp://ce1.grid.org$(NGTEST)/kaons.hbook)
  )
(* user-specified job name *)
  (jobName="NGtest")
(* standard input file *)
  (stdin="myinput.dat")
(* standard output file *)
  (stdout="myoutput.dat")
(* standard error file *)
  (stderr="myerror.dat")
(* GM logs directory name *)
  (gmlog="gmlog")
(* flag whether to merge stdout and stderr *)
  (join="no")
(* request e-mail notification on status change *)
  (notify="bqfe john.doe@gmail.com jane.doe@mail.org")
(* specific queue to submit the job *)
```

```

(queue="atlas")
(* maximal CPU time required for the job, minutes for PBS*)
(CpuTime="60")
(* maximal time for the session directory to exist on the remote node, days *)
(lifeTime="7")
(* memory required for the job, Mbytes *)
(Memory="200")
(* wall time to start job processing *)
(startTime="2002-04-28 17:15:00")
(* disk space required for the job, Mbytes *)
(Disk="500")
(* required architecture of the execution node *)
(architecture="i686")
(* required run-time environment *)
(runtimeEnvironment="Atlas-1.1")
(* number of re-runs, in case of a system failure *)
(rerun="2")

```

A.2 GM-side xRSL script

Note that the client tool expands all the `rsl_substitution` values and adds double quotes to **all** strings. It also streamlines blank spaces.

Comment lines are removed from the GM-side xRSL; below they are shown to explain details.

```

&
(* saves RSL in a temporary file if "yes" *)
("savestate" = "yes" )
(* job submission to be performed if action is "request" *)
("action" = "request" )
(* submission host name *)
("hostname" = "cel.grid.org" )
(* client software version *)
("clientsoftware" = "nordugrid-arc-0.6.0.3" )
(* walltime value added by the client, in seconds *)
("walltime" = "3600" )
(* test run: if "yes", only submits RSL without actual job start *)
("dryRun" = "no" )
(* some local variables defined for further convenience *)
("rsl_substitution" = ("TOPDIR" "/home/johndoe" ) )
("rsl_substitution" = ("NGTEST" "/home/johndoe/ngtest" ) )
("rsl_substitution" = ("BIGFILE" "/scratch/johndoe/100mb.tmp" ) )
(* some environment variables, to be used by the job *)
("environment" = ("ATLAS" "/opt/atlas" ) ("CERN" "/cern" ) )
(* executable *)
("executable" = "checkall.sh" )
(* arguments *)
("arguments" = "pal" )
(* files to be staged in before the execution *)
("inputfiles" = ("checkall.sh" "279320" )
("myinput.dat" "39806" )
("be_kaons" "8807" )
("file1" "gsiftp://grid.uio.no/home/johndoe/remfile.txt" )
("bigfile.dat" "104857600" )
)
(* files to be given executable permissions after staging in *)

```

```

    ("executables" = "checkall.sh" "be_kaons" )
(* files to be staged out after the execution *)
    ("outputfiles" = ("file1" "gsiftp://grid.tsl.uu.se/tmp/file1.tmp" )
        ("100mb.tmp" "rls://rls.nordugrid.org:39281/test/bigfile" )
        ("be_kaons.hbook" "gsiftp://ce1.grid.org/home/johndoe/ngtest/kaons.hbook" )
        ("myoutput.dat" "" )
        ("myerror.dat" "" )
    )
(* user-specified job name *)
    ("jobName" = "NGtest" )
(* standard input file *)
    ("stdin" = "myinput.dat" )
(* standard output file *)
    ("stdout"="myoutput.dat" )
(* standard error file *)
    ("stderr" = "myerror.dat" )
(* flag whether to merge stdout and stderr *)
    ("join" = "no" )
(* request e-mail notification on status change *)
    ("notify" = "bqfe john.doe@gmail.com jane.doe@mail.org" )
(* specific queue to submit the job *)
    ("queue" = "atlas" )
(* CPU time required for the job, converted into seconds *)
    ("cputime" = "3600" )
(* maximal time for the session directory to exist on the remote node, seconds *)
    ("lifetime" = "604800" )
(* memory required for the job, Mbytes *)
    ("memory" = "200" )
(* wall time to start job processing *)
    ("startTime" = "20020128171500" )
(* disk space required for the job, Mbytes *)
    ("disk" = "500" )
(* required architecture of the execution node *)
    ("architecture" = "i686" )
(* required run-time environment *)
    ("runtimeenvironment" = "Atlas-1.1" )
(* number of re-runs, in case of a system failure *)
    ("rerun" = "2" )
(* original client xRSL with expanded string substitutions; shortened here *)
    ("clientxrsl" = "&(" "dryrun" = "no" ) (... )("rerun" = "2" )" )

```

A.3 JSDL script

```

<?xml version="1.0" encoding="UTF-8"?>
<jSDL:JobDefinition
  xmlns:jSDL="http://schemas.ggf.org/jSDL/2005/11/jSDL"
  xmlns:jSDL-posix="http://schemas.ggf.org/jSDL/2005/11/jSDL-posix"
  xmlns:jSDL-arc="http://www.nordugrid.org/ws/schemas/jSDL-arc">
  <jSDL:JobDescription>
    <!-- Generic job description (jobname in XRSL) -->
    <jSDL:JobIdentification>
      <jSDL:JobName>JSDL Hello World job</jSDL:JobName>
      <jSDL:Description>
        This is a simple Hello World job test
      </jSDL:Description>
    </jSDL:JobIdentification>
  </jSDL:JobDescription>
</jSDL:JobDefinition>

```

```
</jsdl:JobIdentification>
<!-- Standard application (same as executable, arguments in XRSL) -->
<jsdl:Application>
  <jsdl:ApplicationName>Echo</jsdl:ApplicationName>
  <jsdl-posix:POSIXApplication>
    <jsdl-posix:Executable>/bin/echo</jsdl-posix:Executable>
    <jsdl-posix:Argument>Hello world</jsdl-posix:Argument>
  </jsdl-posix:POSIXApplication>
</jsdl:Application>
<!-- Get the GM diagnostics (same as gmlog in XRSL) -->
<jsdl-arc:LocalLogging>
  <jsdl-arc:Directory>gmlog</jsdl-arc:Directory>
</jsdl-arc:LocalLogging>
</jsdl:JobDescription>
</jsdl:JobDefinition>
```

Appendix B

JSDL-ARC schema

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<?xml version="1.0" encoding="UTF-8"?>
<xsd:schema xmlns:xsd="http://www.w3.org/2001/XMLSchema"
  xmlns="http://www.nordugrid.org/ws/schemas/jsdl-arc"
  xmlns:jsdl-arc="http://www.nordugrid.org/ws/schemas/jsdl-arc"
  targetNamespace="http://www.nordugrid.org/ws/schemas/jsdl-arc">

  <xsd:simpleType name="GMState_Type">
    <xsd:restriction base="xsd:string">
      <xsd:enumeration value="ACCEPTED"/>
      <xsd:enumeration value="PREPARING"/>
      <xsd:enumeration value="SUBMIT"/>
      <xsd:enumeration value="INLRMS"/>
      <xsd:enumeration value="FINISHING"/>
      <xsd:enumeration value="FINISHED"/>
      <xsd:enumeration value="DELETED"/>
      <xsd:enumeration value="CANCELING"/>
    </xsd:restriction>
  </xsd:simpleType>

  <xsd:complexType name="Version_Type">
    <xsd:sequence>
      <xsd:element name="UpperExclusive" type="xsd:string" minOccurs="0"/>
      <xsd:element name="LowerExclusive" type="xsd:string" minOccurs="0"/>
      <xsd:element name="Exact" type="xsd:string" minOccurs="0" maxOccurs="unbounded"/>
      <xsd:element name="Exclusive" type="xsd:boolean" minOccurs="0"/>
    </xsd:sequence>
  </xsd:complexType>

  <xsd:simpleType name="SessionType_Type">
    <xsd:documentation> For jsdl:Resources_Type </xsd:documentation>
    <!-- xsd:element ref="SessionType" minOccurs="0"/ -->
    <xsd:restriction base="xsd:string">
      <xsd:enumeration value="INTERNAL"/>
      <xsd:enumeration value="LIMITED"/>
      <xsd:enumeration value="READONLY"/>
      <xsd:enumeration value="FULL"/>
    </xsd:restriction>
  </xsd:simpleType>

  <xsd:simpleType name="IsExecutable_Type">
    <xsd:documentation> For jsdl:DataStaging_Type (default: false) </xsd:documentation>
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    <!-- xsd:element ref="IsExecutable" minOccurs="0"/ -->
    <xsd:restriction base="xsd:boolean"/>
  </xsd:simpleType>

  <xsd:simpleType name="FileParameters_Type">
    <xsd:documentation> For jsdl:DataStaging_Type </xsd:documentation>
    <!-- xsd:element ref="IsExecutable" minOccurs="0"/ -->
    <xsd:restriction base="xsd:string"/>
  </xsd:simpleType>

  <xsd:simpleType name="JoinOutputs_Type">
    <xsd:documentation> For jsdl:JobDescription_Type (default: false) </xsd:documentation>
    <!-- xsd:element ref="JoinOutputs" minOccurs="0"/ -->
    <xsd:restriction base="xsd:boolean"/>
  </xsd:simpleType>

  <xsd:simpleType name="Reruns_Type">
    <xsd:documentation> For jsdl:JobDescription_Type (default: false) </xsd:documentation>
    <!-- xsd:element ref="Reruns" minOccurs="0"/ -->
    <xsd:restriction base="xsd:integer"/>
  </xsd:simpleType>

  <xsd:complexType name="RunTimeEnvironment_Type">
    <xsd:documentation> For jsdl:Resources_Type </xsd:documentation>
    <!-- xsd:element ref="RunTimeEnvironment" minOccurs="0" maxOccurs="unbounded"/ -->
    <xsd:sequence>
      <xsd:element name="Name" type="xsd:string"/>
      <xsd:element name="Version" type="Version_Type" minOccurs="0"/>
    </xsd:sequence>
  </xsd:complexType>

  <xsd:complexType name="Middleware_Type">
    <xsd:documentation> For jsdl:Resources_Type </xsd:documentation>
    <!-- xsd:element ref="Middleware" minOccurs="0" maxOccurs="unbounded"/ -->
    <xsd:sequence>
      <xsd:element name="Name" type="xsd:string"/>
      <xsd:element name="Version" type="Version_Type" minOccurs="0"/>
    </xsd:sequence>
  </xsd:complexType>

  <xsd:complexType name="RemoteLogging_Type">
    <xsd:documentation> For jsdl:JobDescription_Type </xsd:documentation>
    <!-- xsd:element ref="RemoteLogging" minOccurs="0" maxOccurs="3"/ -->
    <xsd:sequence>
      <xsd:element name="URL" minOccurs="1" maxOccurs="1" type="xsd:anyURI"/>
    </xsd:sequence>
  </xsd:complexType>

  <xsd:complexType name="CredentialServer_Type">
    <xsd:documentation> For jsdl:JobDescription_Type </xsd:documentation>
    <!-- xsd:element ref="CredentialServer" minOccurs="0"/ -->
    <xsd:sequence>
      <xsd:element name="URL" minOccurs="1" maxOccurs="1" type="xsd:anyURI"/>
    </xsd:sequence>
  </xsd:complexType>

  <xsd:complexType name="LocalLogging_Type">
    <xsd:documentation> For jsdl:JobDescription_Type </xsd:documentation>

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<!-- xsd:element ref="LocalLogging" minOccurs="0" maxOccurs="1"/ -->
<xsd:sequence>
  <xsd:element name="Directory" minOccurs="1" maxOccurs="1" type="xsd:string"/>
</xsd:sequence>
</xsd:complexType>

<xsd:simpleType name="AccessControlType_Type">
  <xsd:restriction base="xsd:string">
    <xsd:enumeration value="GACL"/>
  </xsd:restriction>
</xsd:simpleType>
<xsd:complexType name="AccessControl_Type">
  <xsd:documentation> For jsdl:JobDescription_Type </xsd:documentation>
  <!-- xsd:element ref="AccessControl" minOccurs="0"/ -->
  <xsd:sequence>
    <xsd:element name="OwnerAlwaysAllowed" type="xsd:boolean" minOccurs="0"/>
    <xsd:element name="Type" type="AccessControlType_Type" minOccurs="0"/>
    <xsd:element name="Content" minOccurs="0" type="xsd:string"/>
  </xsd:sequence>
</xsd:complexType>

<xsd:simpleType name="NotificationType_Type">
  <xsd:restriction base="xsd:string">
    <xsd:enumeration value="Email"/>
  </xsd:restriction>
</xsd:simpleType>
<xsd:complexType name="Notify_Type">
  <xsd:documentation> For jsdl:JobDescription_Type </xsd:documentation>
  <!-- xsd:element ref="Notify" minOccurs="0" maxOccurs="3"/ -->
  <xsd:sequence>
    <xsd:element name="Type" type="NotificationType_Type" minOccurs="0"/>
    <xsd:element name="Endpoint" minOccurs="0" type="xsd:string"/>
    <xsd:element name="State" minOccurs="1" maxOccurs="unbounded" type="GMState_Type"/>
  </xsd:sequence>
</xsd:complexType>

<xsd:simpleType name="SessionLifeTime_Type">
  <xsd:documentation> For jsdl:Resources_Type </xsd:documentation>
  <!-- xsd:element ref="SessionLifeTime" minOccurs="0" maxOccurs="1"/ -->
  <xsd:restriction base="xsd:long"/>
</xsd:simpleType>

<xsd:simpleType name="GridTimeLimit_Type">
  <xsd:documentation> For jsdl:Resources_Type </xsd:documentation>
  <!-- xsd:element ref="GridTimeLimit" minOccurs="0" maxOccurs="1"/ -->
  <xsd:restriction base="xsd:positiveInteger"/>
</xsd:simpleType>

<xsd:complexType name="CandidateTarget_Type">
  <xsd:documentation> For jsdl:Resources_Type </xsd:documentation>
  <!-- xsd:element ref="jsdl-arc:CandidateTarget" minOccurs="0" maxOccurs="1"/ -->
  <xsd:sequence>
    <xsd:element name="HostName" minOccurs="0" type="xsd:string"/>
    <xsd:element name="QueueName" minOccurs="0" type="xsd:string"/>
  </xsd:sequence>
</xsd:complexType>

<xsd:simpleType name="Time_Type">

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<xsd:documentation> For jsdl:JobDescription_Type </xsd:documentation>
<!-- xsd:element ref="ProcessingStartTime" minOccurs="0" maxOccurs="1"/ -->
<xsd:restriction base="xsd:dateTime"/>
</xsd:simpleType>

<!--=====-->
<xsd:element name="IsExecutable" type="IsExecutable_Type"/>
<xsd:element name="FileParameters" type="FileParameters_Type"/>
<xsd:element name="RunTimeEnvironment" type="RunTimeEnvironment_Type"/>
<xsd:element name="Middleware" type="Middleware_Type"/>
<xsd:element name="RemoteLogging" type="RemoteLogging_Type"/>
<xsd:element name="LocalLogging" type="LocalLogging_Type"/>
<xsd:element name="AccessControl" type="AccessControl_Type"/>
<xsd:element name="Notify" type="Notify_Type"/>
<xsd:element name="SessionLifeTime" type="SessionLifeTime_Type"/>
<xsd:element name="SessionType" type="SessionType_Type"/>
<xsd:element name="JoinOutputs" type="JoinOutputs_Type"/>
<xsd:element name="Reruns" type="Reruns_Type"/>
<xsd:element name="CredentialServer" type="CredentialServer_Type"/>
<xsd:element name="GridTimeLimit" type="GridTimeLimit_Type"/>
<xsd:element name="CandidateTarget" type="CandidateTarget_Type"/>
<xsd:element name="ProcessingStartTime" type="Time_Type"/>

</xsd:schema>

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