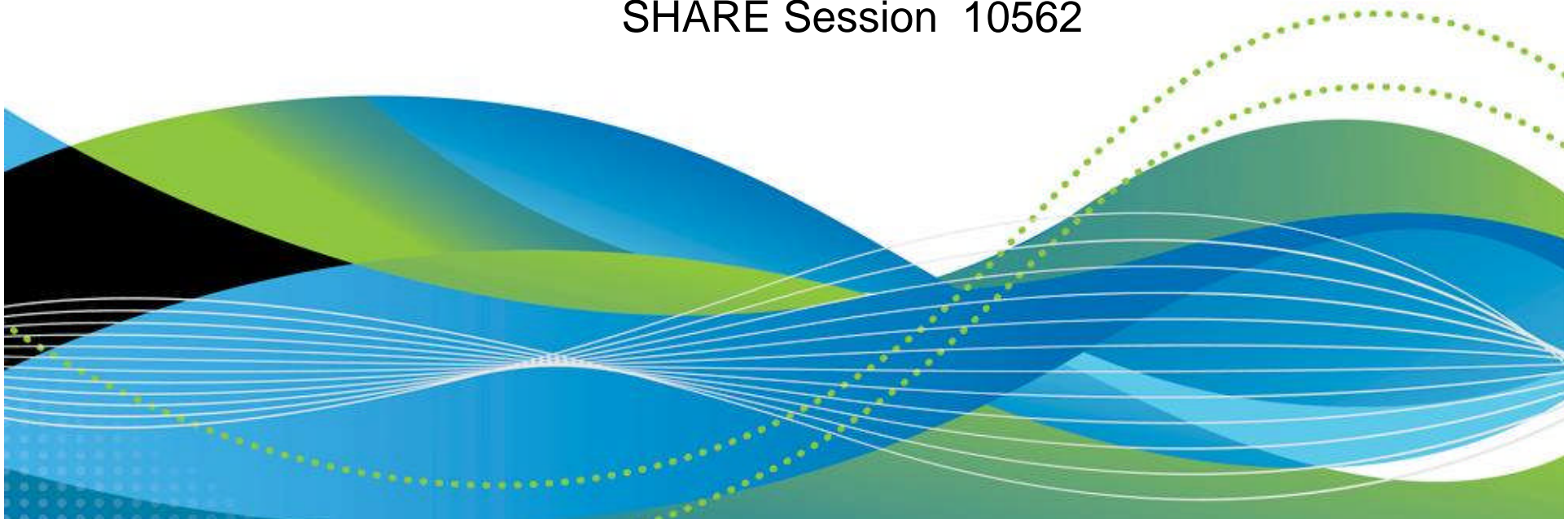


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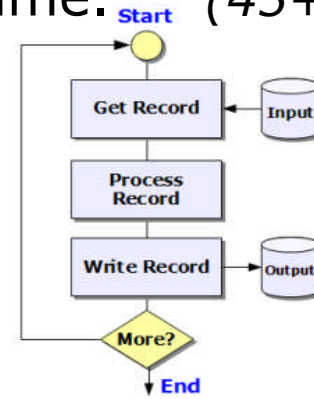
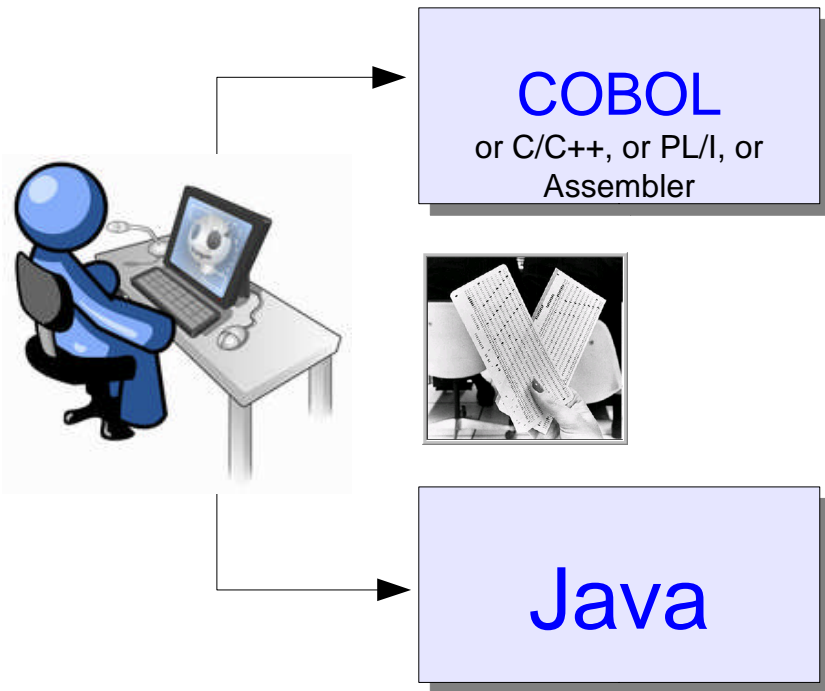
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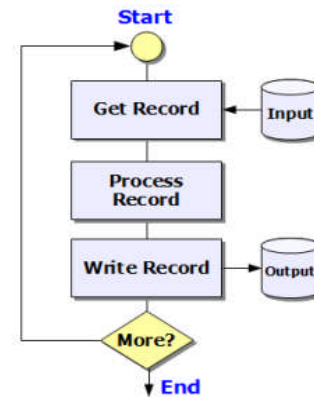
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| 10580 | Monday | 11:00 | Cottonwood A/B | Back to Basics | Mike Loos |
| 10633 | Wednesday | 1:30 | International Ballroom C | Installation Manager – The Cross Platform Installer for WAS | Mike Loos |
| 10561 | Wednesday | 3:00 | Cottonwood A/B | Version 8 – New z/OS Exploitation Features | David Follis |
| 10562 | Thursday | 11:00 | Cottonwood A/B | Batch Update | John Hutchinson |
| 10581 | Thursday | 1:30 | Cottonwood A/B | Getting Started with Version 8 – Part Zero! | Mike Loos |
| 10518 | Thursday | 6:00 | Cottonwood A/B | Potpourri | Anybody |
| 10516 | Friday | 8:00 | Dogwood B | Level 2 Update | Mike Stephen |
| 10563 | Friday | 9:30 | Pine | Hands on Lab | Mike Stephen, David Follis, Ken Irwin |

Batch Processing ...

...has been around for a very long time. (45+ yrs)



Different programming languages ...



... similar business results.

Several Different Approaches...

- Standalone Java Program
- JVM Launcher – JZOS
 - z/OS 1.13 Batch Container (New!)
 - **WebSphere Java Batch Container – XD Compute Grid**

Then ... Why Java Batch?



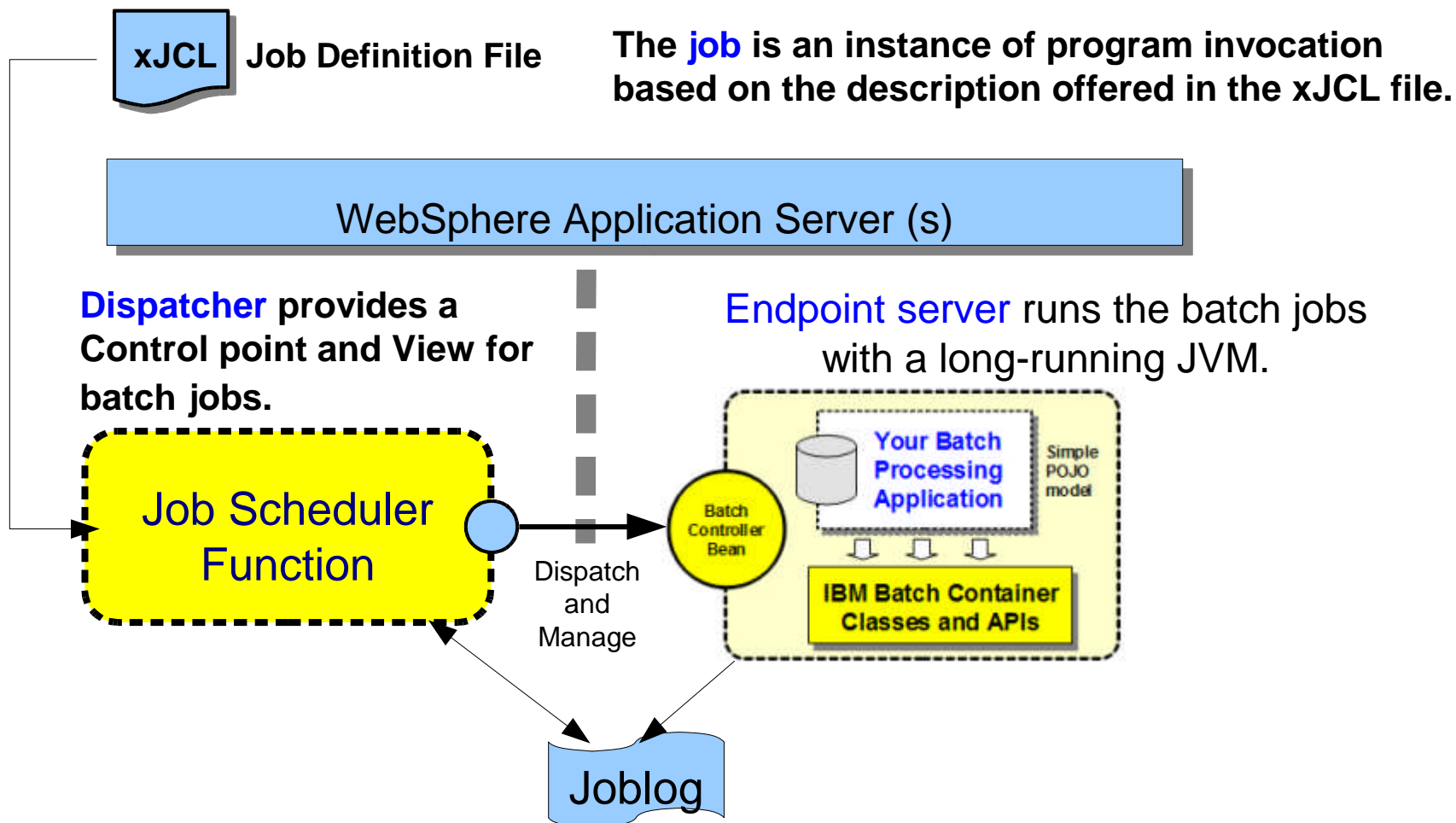
Some things that are behind this trend ...

- zAAPs** they provide a means of increasing the financial benefit of operations on z/OS
- Skills** Java skills are become more prevalent while COBOL less so
- Tooling** Desire to coalesce around a common set of tooling and source control mechanisms
- Re-Use** Exposing batch processes as services through WAS interfaces
- Efficiency** Using batch to "fill white space" in WAS OLTP processing

Reviewing Compute Grid Servers . .



Consists of a Dispatcher & Endpoint server



The Dispatcher & Endpoint may be in the Same server, Separate servers, or Clustered across many LPARs. Your choice. ☺

xJCL: Declaring the Structure of a Job (review)



The concepts are the same as traditional JCL ... syntax different

Roughly analogous to the JOB card

```
<?xml version="1.0" encoding="UTF-8" ?>
<job name="Sample" default-application-name="Sample" ... ">
<jndi-name>ejb/com/ibm/ws/batch/SampleBatchController</jndi-na
:
<substitution-props>
  <prop name="ABC" value="1000" />
  <prop name="XYZ" value="/tmp/Sample.txt" />
</substitution-props>
```

Job declaration, or xJCL file



Job Scheduler, or Dispatcher function

Job STEP ... JNDI name is analogous to the PGM= in traditional JCL

Carry substitution properties down to variable declarations in XML

```
<job-step name="SampleStep1">
<jndi-name>ejb/SampleModule1</jndi-name>
:
<props>
  <prop name="number" value="{ABC}" />
</props>
</job-step>
```

Not shown:

- Checkpoint declaration
- Conditional processing
- Input/Output declarations
- Much more

```
<job-step name="SampleStep2">
<jndi-name>ejb/SampleModule2</jndi-name>
:
<props>
  <prop name="number" value="{XYZ}" />
</props>
</job-step>
```

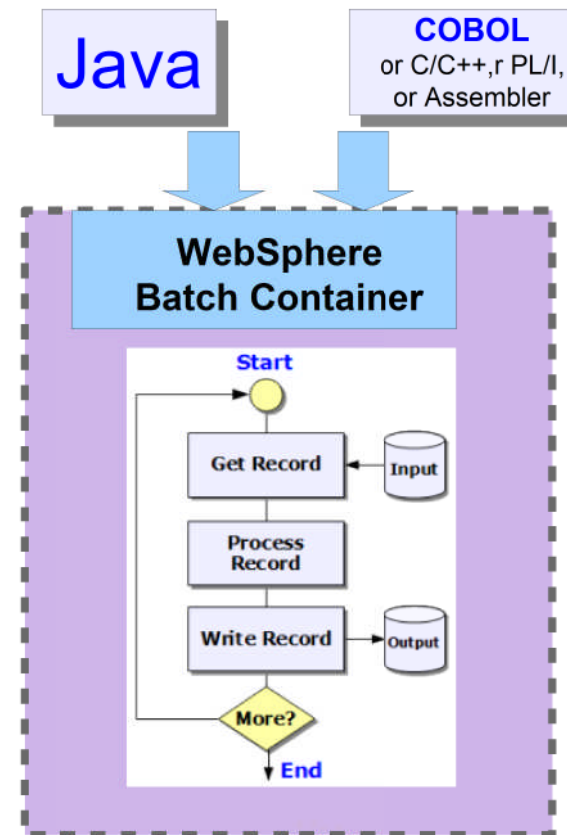
xJCL provides a way to describe ("declare") what makes up the elements of a "job"

</job>

What's New with Batch (Compute Grid) on z/OS?



- *WebSphere Application Server Version 8 includes V7 Batch FeP*
 - Sub-set of function in XD Compute Grid
- *WebSphere XD Compute Grid Version 8 Enhancements:*
 - Configuration & Operational Improvements *
 - Programming Framework *
 - Job Structure Enhancements *
 - Integration with JES Schedulers *
 - Parallel Job Management *
 - Job Classification & Control *
 - Job Usage Reporting *
 - Integration with CICS & COBOL *
- *Migration from Version 6.1.1*
- *Information Center & other Resources*



Batch Feature Pack & XD Compute Grid



Here's a summary of the key features:

Feature Pack for Modern Batch (now part of WAS V.8)

- Batch container environment
- Job scheduler and dispatcher function
- Declarative job control file (xJCL)
- Development class libraries
- Batch Data Stream (BDS)
- Conditional multi-step job support
- Ckpt processing leverages WAS trans. Mgr

WebSphere XD Compute Grid

Everything you see under "FP for Modern Batch" plus ...

- Calendar & clock scheduling of jobs
- Integration with ext. scheduler products
- Usage reporting with SMF 120.20 & .9
- WLM transaction classification *by job*
- Application quiesce and update
- Job submission pacing and throttling
- Parallel job management & dispatching
- Integration with COBOL and CICS

New in Compute Grid V. 8 on z/OS!

- **Programming Model Enhancements**
 - OSGi Batch Applications
 - Record Processing Policy
 - Record Metrics
 - Job and Step Listener
 - Persistent Job Context
 - Configurable Transaction Mode
 - Batch Data Stream Timeout
 - COBOL Support
- **Job Definition Enhancements**
 - Multi-threading
 - Parallel Steps
 - Heterogeneous Steps
- **Operational Enhancements**
 - Group Security
 - Memory Overload Protection
 - Job Log SPI
 - SMF Type 120 Subtype 9

Configuration Improvements



- **WAS Version 8**
 - Includes Modern Batch Feature Pack
 - Installation Manager support (Required)
 - WebSphere Customization Toolbox (WCT) V8 supports WCG Augmentation
- **Use WCT V8 to create and augment a WAS V7 or V8 Cell with WCG V8**
 - *Deployment Manager & Empty Node Augmented with Compute Grid*

The screenshot shows the WebSphere Customization Toolbox 8.0 interface. It features a menu bar (File, Window, Help) and a toolbar with icons for Profile Management Tool and Welcome. The main area is divided into two sections: Customization Locations and Customization Definitions.

Customization Locations Table:

| Name | Version | Location |
|-------------|---------|--|
| B7_Cell | 7.0 | C:\Work\\$\WASV8\WCG8_Testing\B7Cell\WCT8_WAS7 |
| CG_V7_WCGV8 | 7.0 | C:\Work\\$\WASV8\WCG8_Testing\CGCell\WCTv8 |

Customization Definitions Table:

| Name | Type | Product | Environment | Opera |
|----------------|---------|---|--|-------|
| CG_Dmgr | Create | WebSphere Application Server for z/OS | Management - deployment manager | z/OS |
| CG_Dmgr_WCGV8 | Augment | WebSphere Extended Deployment Compute Grid V8.0 | Management with WebSphere Extended Deployment Compute Grid V8.0 | z/OS |
| CG_NodeA | Create | WebSphere Application Server for z/OS | Managed (custom) node | z/OS |
| CG_NodeA_WCGV8 | Augment | WebSphere Extended Deployment Compute Grid V8.0 | Managed (custom) node with WebSphere Extended Deployment Compute Grid... | z/OS |

- **Also pre-configured in Compute Grid Version 8**
 - **Parallel Job Manager**
 - **PGCProxy** (used by **CICS CN11 SupportPac**)
 - **COBOL Container** and JAR files

Configuring 'WCG' V8 on z/OS – a closer look...



Simplified with WCT Version 8:

- 1) Create Deployment Manager Augmented with Compute Grid
- 2) Create Empty Nodes Augmented with Compute Grid

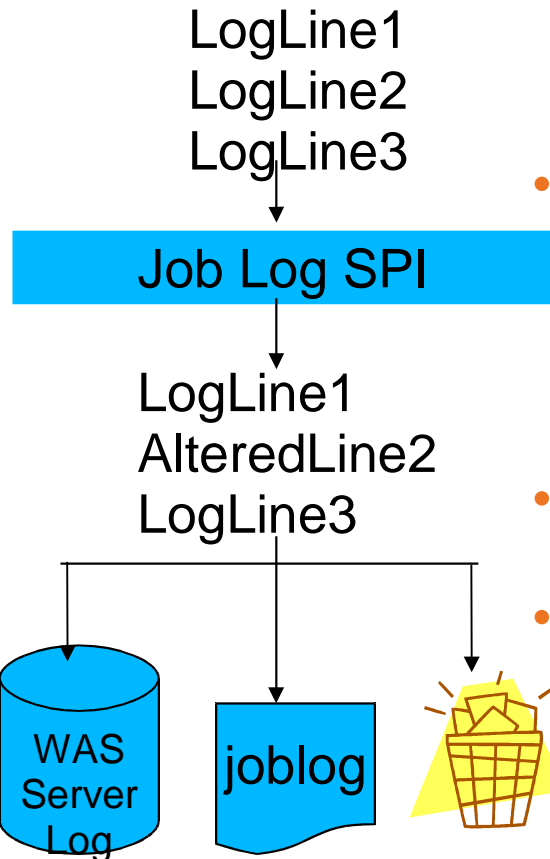
| Name | Type | Product | Environment |
|---------|--------|---------------------|--|
| C8DMgr | Create | WebSphere Extend... | Management with WebSphere Extended Deployment Compute Grid V8.0 - deployment manager |
| C8NodeA | Create | WebSphere Extend... | Managed (custom) node with WebSphere Extended Deployment Compute Grid V8.0 |
| C8NodeB | Create | WebSphere Extend... | Managed (custom) node with WebSphere Extended Deployment Compute Grid V8.0 |

Configure the Compute grid Dispatcher & Endpoint Servers:

- 3) Create Database & Data sources (DBA & ISC)
- 4) Configure Job Scheduler & Endpoint Server (ISC)



Operational Improvements

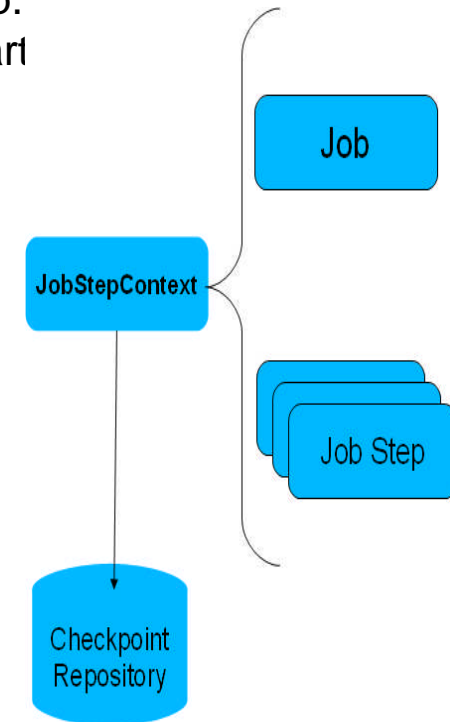


- **Group Level Security**
 - Control access to Jobs based on Group Membership (including the JMC)
- **JobLog SPI (System Programming Interface) Controls**
 - Destination: Joblog or WAS Server log, or Both, or Neither (suppress)
 - Alter Content: SPI can modify any job log line.
- **SMF Type 120 Subtype 9 records**
- **Memory Overload Protection**
 - Protects against over-scheduling jobs to an Endpoint, & Java OutOfMemory
 - Batch Container monitors job memory demand against available JVM heap
 - Automatic real time job memory estimation with declarative xJCL override

Programming Model Enhancements in WCG V8



- **Persistent JobStepContext object**
 - Exists for life of job; Step-specific context reset at each job step.
 - New persistent user data object stored across checkpoint/restart
- **Job and Step Listener**
 - Notification of Job/Step Start/End thru JobStepContext object.
- **Configurable Transaction Mode**
 - Select job step transaction mode: Local or Global
- **Record Processing Policy**
 - Skip bad records, Retry, or Stop Job Processing controls
- **Batch Data Stream Timeout** – Configurable by Job Step
 - Some BatchDataStreams need Short timeouts, others Long.
- **Record Metrics**
 - Skipped record count, Retry count,
 - Records/Second, Processing time
 - Written to Joblog
 - Available to batch application thru JobStepContext object.
- **OSGi Batch Applications**
 - Deploy batch applications as OSGi bundles
- **COBOL Container Support**



Job Management Console

Browser-based view into the batch environment for Monitoring & Control:



Compute Grid Job Management Console

- Welcome
- Job Management
 - View jobs
 - Submit a job
- Job Repository
 - View saved jobs
 - Save a job
- Schedule Management
 - View schedules
 - Create a schedule



Browser

A web interface allows very simple access with powerful **Filtering** and **Sorting** controls.

Create schedule

Specify the name of the schedule to:

- Name:
- Start date (yyyy-MM-dd): - -
- Start time (HH:mm:ss): : :
- Interval:

Actions against select jobs

| Submitter | Last Update | State | Node | Application Server |
|-----------|-------------------------|-------|--------|--------------------|
| xadmin | 2010-08-31 00:36:36.071 | Ended | xnodec | xdsr02c |
| xadmin | 781 | Ended | xnoded | xdsr02d |
| xadmin | 854 | Ended | xnoded | xdsr02d |
| xadmin | 783 | Ended | xnodec | xdsr02c |
| xadmin | 2010-08-31 00:36:48.965 | Ended | xnoded | xdsr02d |

ID that submitted the job
Time stamps from the database
Job state
Node and server job dispatched to

- Cancel
- Remove
- Restart
- Resume
- Stop
- Suspend

Job log accessible under these links. Download button also available

Job Number

Command Line, Web Services, IOP and JMX interfaces as well



Job Scheduler Interfaces

The previous chart tended to focus on the web interface, which is certainly the easiest to use. But others are present and offer great value:



Browser

A web interface allows very simple access.



Command Line

Automation through shell script programming.



Web Service

Expose without requiring access to the JMC



RMI

Expose to EJB clients



JMX

Expose to Java JMX client

Tivoli software
Or others

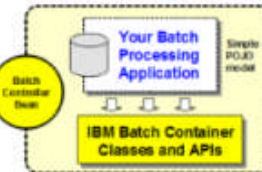
MDB (Compute Grid only)

Used to integrate with enterprise schedulers

Feature Pack
Compute Grid

Job Scheduler
Function

Dispatch
and Manage



WebSphere Application Server

A wide variety of access methods

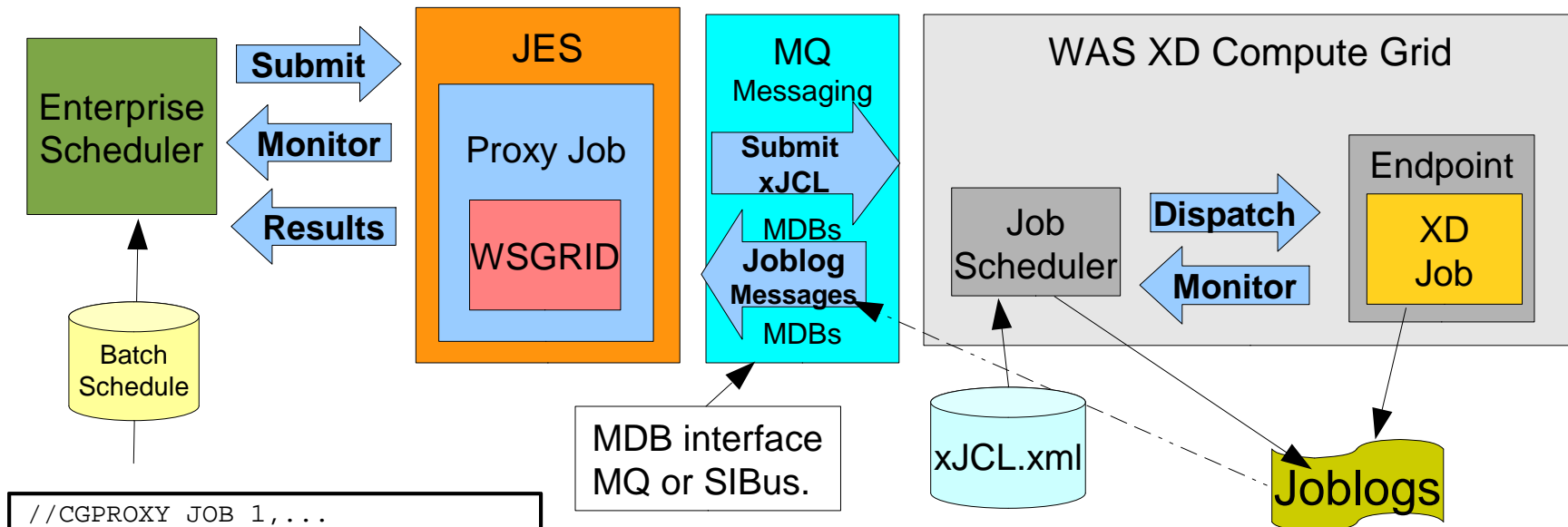
Blend to meet your business needs

Integrate with JES Schedulers



Traditional batch jobs or Schedulers can extend their reach to Compute Grid with the “WSGRID” utility running as a “Proxy” for an XD batch job:

- Proxy submits job & receives joblog messages in SYSOUT file until XD job ends.
- WSGRID utility notifies the Scheduler of XD job Return Code.



```

//CGPROXY JOB 1,...
//SUBMIT EXEC PGM=WSGRID
//SYSPRINT DD SYSOUT=*
//WGCNTL: DD *
queue-manager-name=MQW1
scheduler-input-queue=WASIQ
scheduler-output-queue=WASOQ
//WGJOB DD PATH='/jcl/xJCL.xml'
//WGSUBS DD *
    
```

MDB interface
MQ or SIBus.

Configuration simplified with Compute Grid V.8

1. Define MQ input & output queues.
2. Configure WAS runtime variables to access MQ libraries.
3. **installWSGridMQ.py** script
 - Sets up JMS Connection Factories, Queues & ListenerPort
 - Installs WSGRID system application.



Joblog & Return Code returned to JES Proxy job



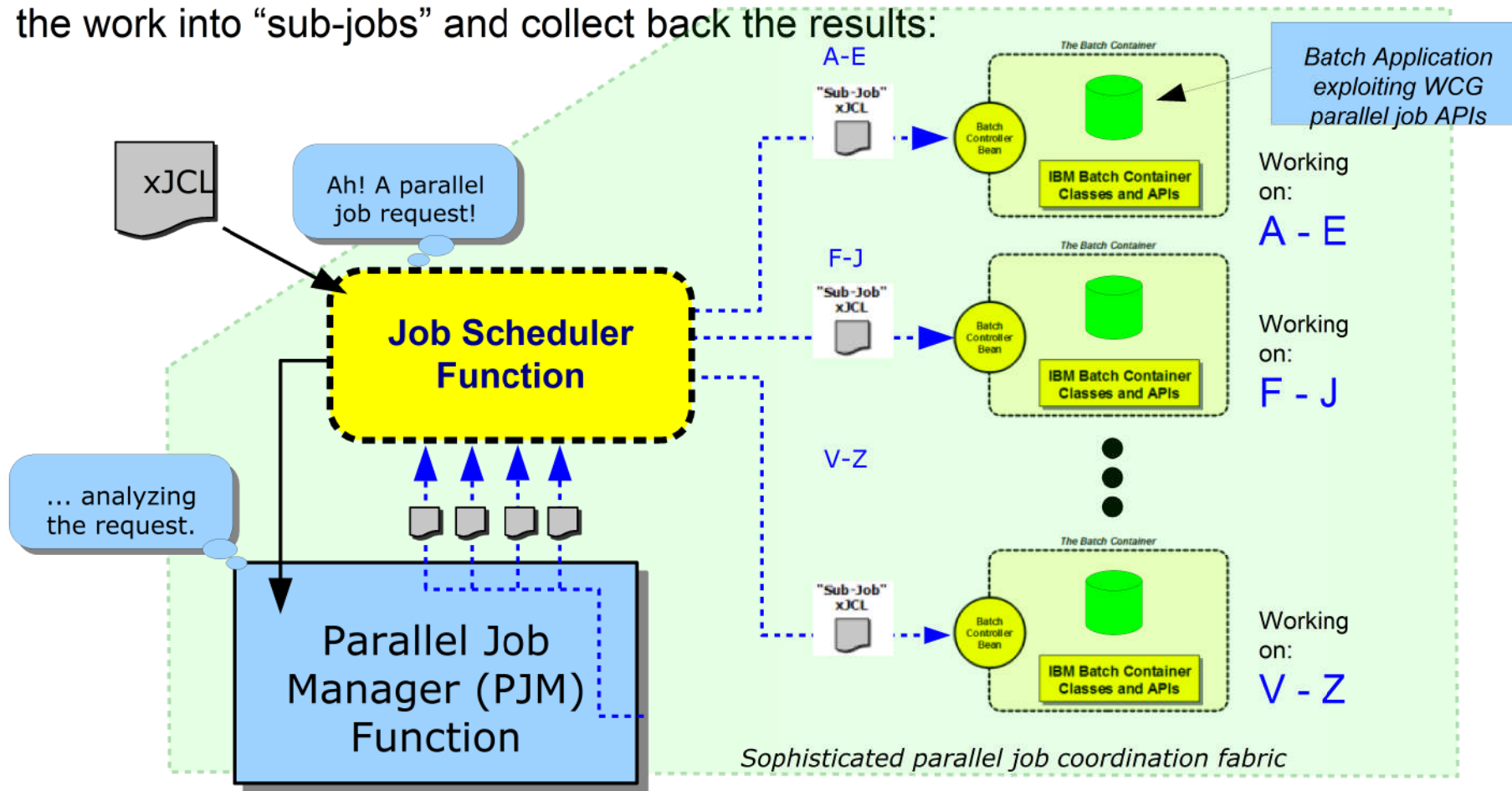
Use SDSF or other products
to view results in real time:

```
-----  
SDSF OUTPUT DISPLAY C8WSGRID JOB29833  DSID   103 LINE 69          COLUMNS 03- 134  
COMMAND INPUT ===>                                         SCROLL ===> CSR  
  
16:37:34:249 EDT] Job SimpleCIEar:00012 is queued for execution  
16:37:35:629 EDT] CWLRS6006I: Job class Default, Importance 8, Service Class null, Service Goal Type 0,  
16:37:35:632 EDT] CWLRS6007I: Job Arrival Time 7/8/11 4:37 PM, Goal Max Completion Time 0, Goal Max Queue Time 0  
16:37:35:634 EDT] CWLRS6021I: List of eligible endpoints to execute the job: c8nodeb/c8pgcb, c8nodea/c8pgca.  
16:37:35:638 EDT] CWLRS6011I: APC is not active. GAP will make the endpoint selection.  
16:37:37:148 EDT] CWLRS6013I: GAP is dispatching job SimpleCIEar:00012. Job queue time 2.888 seconds.  
16:37:37:663 EDT] [07/08/11 16:37:37:662 EDT] Job [SimpleCIEar:00012] is in job setup.  
16:37:37:684 EDT] Initialization for sequential step dispatch is complete.  
16:37:40:077 EDT] [07/08/11 16:37:40:076 EDT] Job [SimpleCIEar:00012] is submitted for execution.  
16:37:40:078 EDT] Dispatching job SimpleCIEar:00012: job contains 1 step(s).  
16:37:40:080 EDT] Dispatching Job [SimpleCIEar:00012] Step [Step1]  
16:37:40:092 EDT] [07/08/11 16:37:40:092 EDT] Job [SimpleCIEar:00012] Step [Step1] is in step setup.  
16:37:40:094 EDT] [07/08/11 16:37:40:094 EDT] Job [SimpleCIEar:00012] Step [Step1] is dispatched.  
16:37:40:095 EDT] Fri Jul 08 16:37:40 EDT 2011: SimpleCI application starting...  
16:37:40:095 EDT] -->Will loop processing a variety of math functions for approximately 5.0 seconds!  
16:37:45:098 EDT] Fri Jul 08 16:37:45 EDT 2011: SimpleCI application complete!  
16:37:45:098 EDT] -->Actual Processing time = 5.002 seconds!  
16:37:45:098 EDT] Job Step [SimpleCIEar:00012,Step1]: Metric = clock Value = 00:00:05:004  
16:37:45:100 EDT] Step Step1 completes normally: ended normally  
16:37:45:101 EDT] [07/08/11 16:37:45:101 EDT] Job [SimpleCIEar:00012] Step [Step1] is in step breakdown.  
16:37:45:108 EDT] Job [SimpleCIEar:00012] ended normally.  
SimpleCIEar:00012] ending status: RC=0  
***** BOTTOM OF DATA *****
```


Parallel Job Manager (PJM)

Batch processing often lends itself to running the work in parallel.

- WebSphere Compute Grid facilitates this with function to cut up the work into “sub-jobs” and collect back the results:



Configuring the Parallel Job Manager



How the PJM in V8 differs from previous versions

- 1. Parallel job manager integrated into the batch container.**
 - Not a separate system application as before.
 - No need to install and configure the PJM, or separate DB2 tables.
 - No shared library required - PJM APIs in batch utility JAR.
- 2. The Systems Programming I'face properties are part of the xJCL.**
 - No `xd.spi.properties` file required.
- 3. Only a single xJCL file is required.**
 - Combines the top-level job xJCL with subordinate jobs.
- 4. PJM applications built for CG V6 can run as is on WCGv8.**
 - Migrate a WCGv6 PJM application to WCGv8:
 - Add the API implementation classes to the application EAR.
 - Reauthor xJCL as described in V8 InfoCenter.

“Job Class” Controls for Batch Jobs



- **Job Class** specified in xJCL:

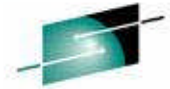
```
<?xml version="1.0"
<job name="SimpleCI" class="Compute"
```

Job Class can be used to limit:

- **MaxExecutionTime** – Before Jobs are canceled
 - **MaxConcurrentJob** – # Allowed to run concurrently
 - **MaxClassSpace** – Joblogs exceeding this size are Purged
 - **MaxFileAge** – Joblogs older than this are Purged
 - **MaxJob** – Max. # of Jobs (Oldest are Purged)
 - **MaxJobAge** – Jobs older than this are Purged from Output
- **Job Class** can also be used to assign a Transaction Class.
 - Which WLM can use to classify the job

The screenshot shows the 'Job scheduler' configuration window. The breadcrumb path is 'Job scheduler > Job classes > Compute'. Below the breadcrumb, it says 'Specify settings for this job class.' There is a 'Configuration' tab selected. Under 'General Properties', the 'Name' field contains 'Compute'. Under 'Execution time and concurrency limits', there are two options: 'Maximum execution time' (unchecked) and 'Maximum concurrent jobs' (checked). The 'Maximum concurrent jobs' field has the value '2' entered.

2 Classification Mechanisms for Batch Jobs:



(1) “**Job Class**” can be specified on a job.

Job Scheduler dispatches jobs based on:

- Availability of Servers to accept new work.
- Number of jobs running within the maximum threshold for the “**Job Class**”
- “Maximum Execution Time” can also be assigned based on the **Job Class**.

Example:

**Jobs in Job Class
“Compute” managed
by Job Scheduler**

- Max. Execution Time
- Max. # Running at once.

Assign Trans. Class

```
<job  
name="SimpleCI"  
class="Compute"
```

Classification Rules
Job name=
Job class=Compute
TrClass=TCOMP

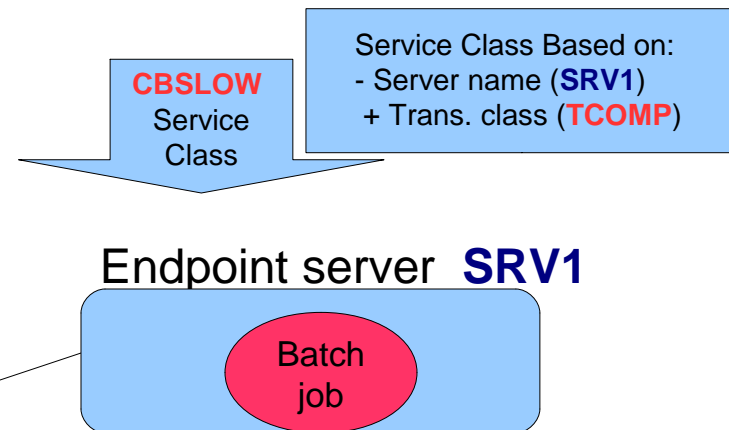
Job Scheduler
Job Dispatcher
Endpoint Selector

(2) **z/OS Workload Manager (WLM)**



manages CPU cycles & I/O to jobs according to:

- **Service Class** assigned based on Cluster Name & **Transaction Class** assigned by the Scheduler.
- **Service class goals** used to specify:
 - “Importance” & Response Time or “Velocity” Objectives.
- Dynamically adjusted based on:
 - Availability of CPU (& other) resources
 - Other work in the sysplex.

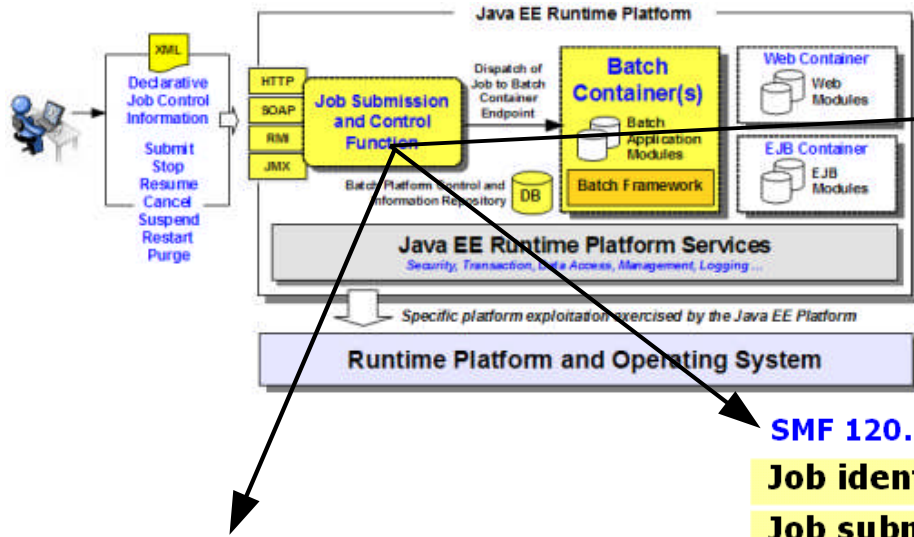


**Batch job managed by WLM
in the CBSLOW service class**

Compute Grid Job Usage Recording



Job Usage Accounting with SMF records and DB2 JOBUSAGE tables:



SMF 120.9 (WAS V.8 only) - UserData Section

Job identifier

Job submitter

Accounting info

(other stats in other sections)

SMF 120.20 record contents:

Job identifier

Job submitter

Final Job state

Server

Node

Accounting information

Job start time

Last update time

General CPU usage

zAAP or zIIP CPU use

DB2 JOBUSAGE records:

Job identifier

Job submitter

Final Job state

Server, Node

Accounting info

Job Start time

Last Update time

Total CPU Used

Record Metrics also added to Joblogs....

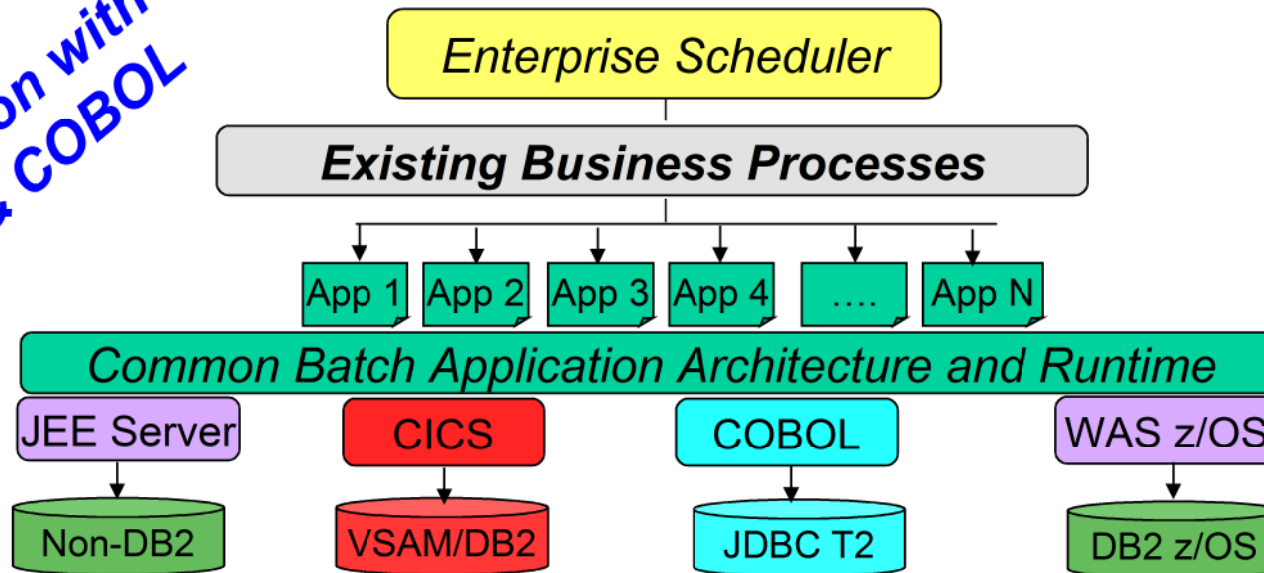
- Records/Second, Processing time
- Skipped record count, Retry count
- Also Available in JobStepContext object.

Generate reports & determine usage for Charge-back & Capacity Planning.



The Batch Vision

Integration with
CICS & COBOL

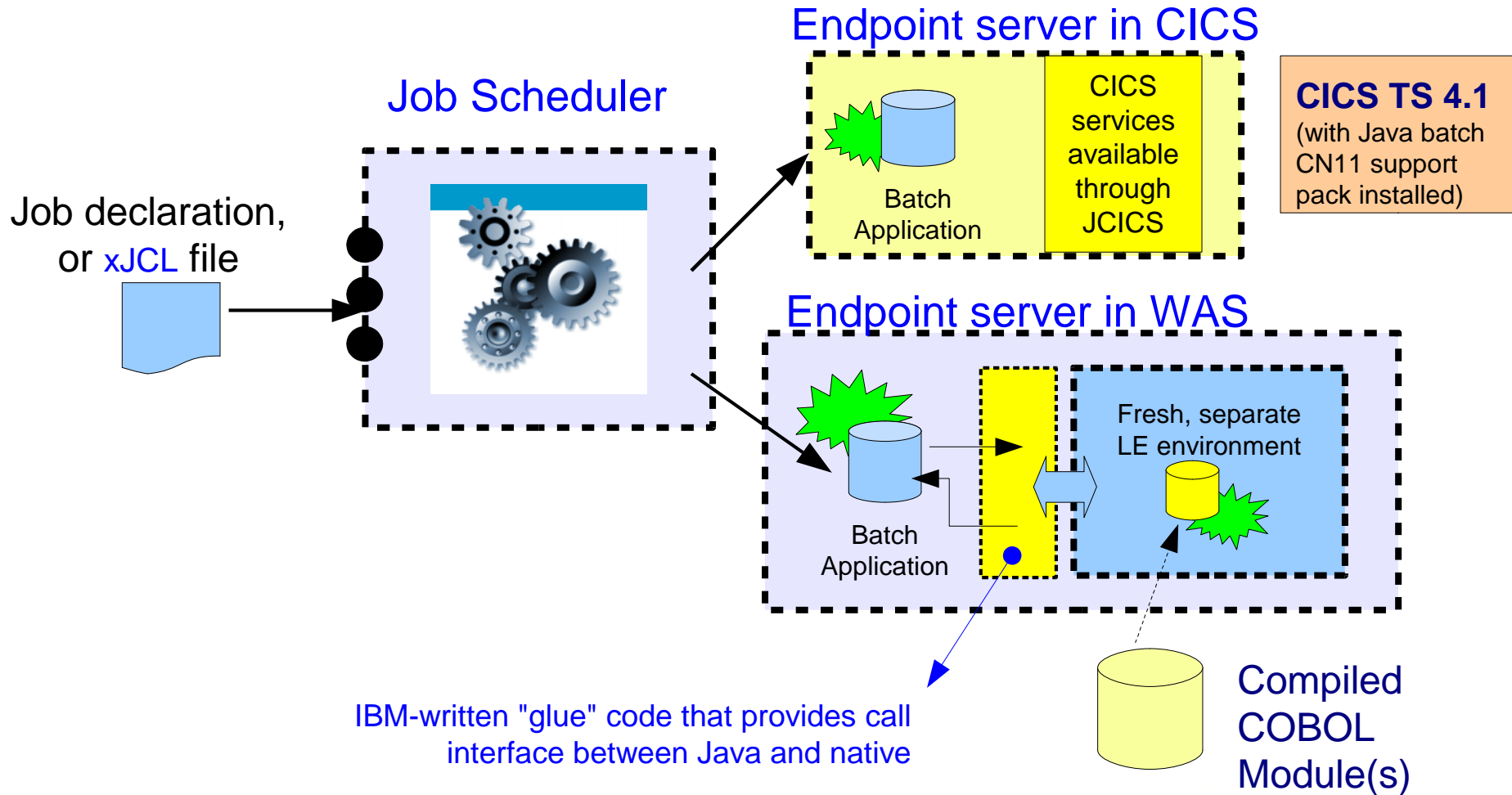


1. Batch Containers should run **everywhere**
2. **Portable Batch applications** across platforms and J2EE vendors
3. Location of the data dictates the placement of the batch application
4. Centrally managed by your enterprise scheduler
5. Integrating with existing: Disaster Recovery, Auditing, Logging, Archiving

Java Batch + CICS? or COBOL? Yes ...



New Batch container for CICS and COBOL interoperability function allows Java batch programs to call CICS and COBOL directly ...



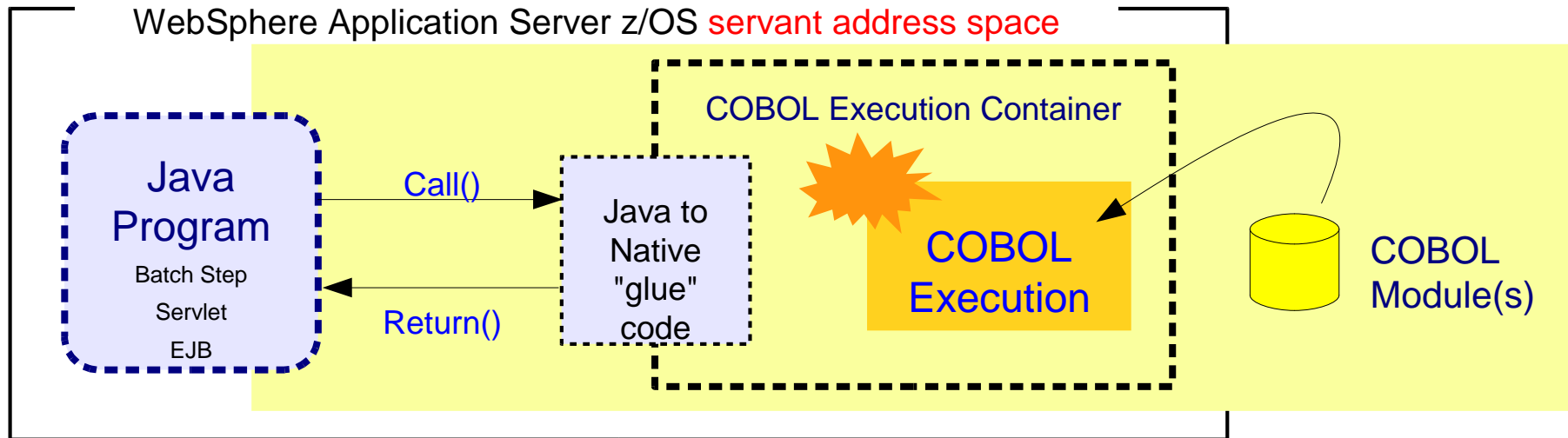
Re-use CICS & COBOL assets with a Java batch job.



The Compute Grid COBOL Container



“COBOL Container” provides the JNI services:



Important Points:

- Create & destroy COBOL container multiple times in the servant address space
- COBOL container's LE enclave separate from the address space's LE enclave (clean environment)
- JDBC T2 connection can be shared between Java and the COBOL program (maintaining transactional context using RRSF)

Essentials of the New COBOL Support



Included as part of WebSphere Compute Grid V8.

- Compatible with WAS z/OS V.7 or V.8

The server must run in 31-bit mode since COBOL programs are 31-bit. And run with a workload profile of ISOLATE (to insure OUTDD back from COBOL works with DISPLAY)

Compiler and Link Edit Options:

- Must be a Dynamic Link Library (DLL)
- Must specify OUTDD(WCGILOUT) so output may go back to Java batch

Major pieces of this:

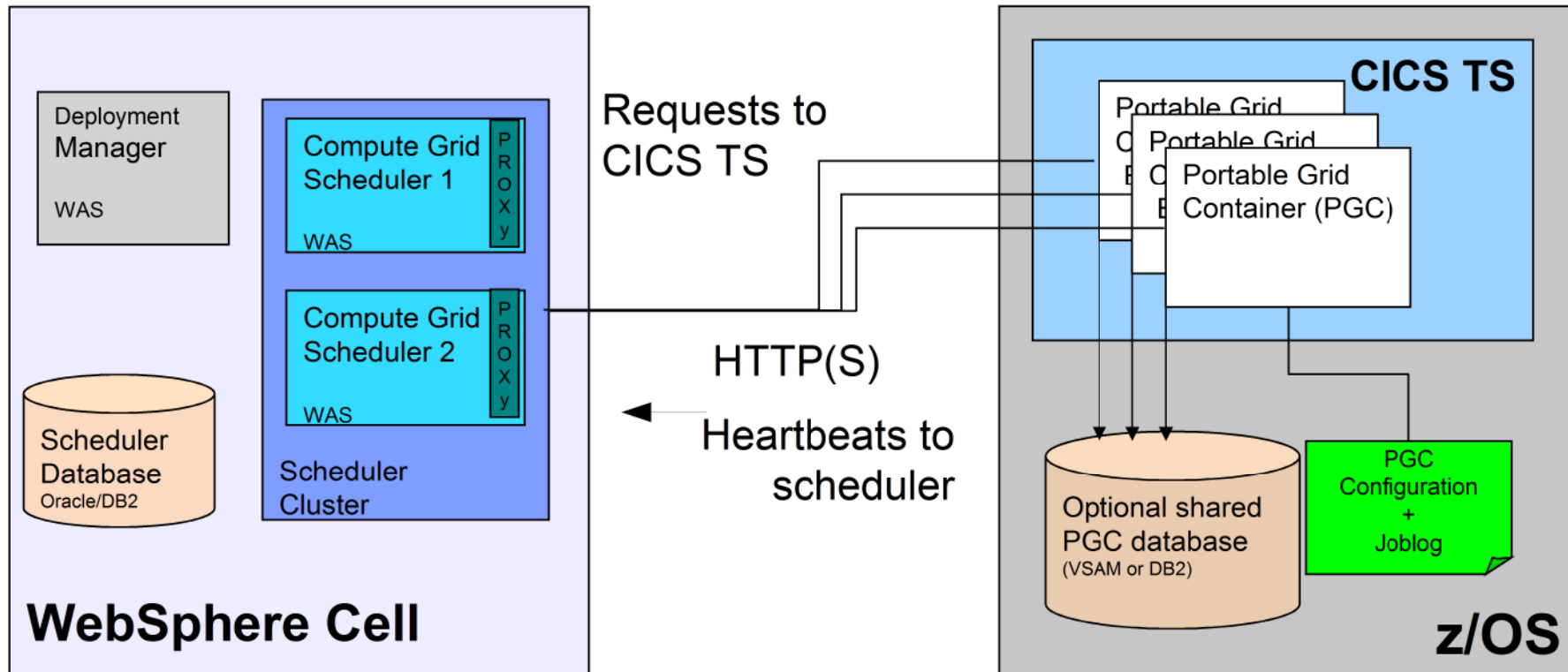
- Runtime support (a few JAR and native files) shipped with WCG V.8
- Development tooling support (JAR files)
- Call Stub Generator utility
- Your Java code, that calls the COBOL module.

Compute Grid & CICS w/ CN11 SupportPac



Batch job in Compute Grid sends HTTP request to CICS to start the transaction program.

CICS matches it against the path in CN11 URIresource to handle the request.



Integration with CICS “CN11” SupportPac



- **SupportPac enables Compute Grid to schedule jobsteps in CICS**
 - Provides Java interfaces to process input and output files in VSAM or DB2
 - Increased availability for CICS during batch processing
 - Automatic Checkpoints & Restarts
- **Compute Grid provides**
 - General job dispatching, management, execute control, monitoring
 - Higher throughput: Process jobs in parallel across multiple CICS regions
 - Locking of data: Updates are synchronised at Checkpoints for I/O resources
 - Failure/Recovery scenarios
 - If batch jobstep fails, Rollback updates, Restore last checkpoint and Retry jobstep.
- **Configuration:**
 - Configure supporting CICS, DB2 and VSAM resources (Sample jobs provided)
 - Customize `endpoint-config.xml` & `CN11PROF` describing CICS to WCG
 - Initialize the CICS-to-Compute Grid Connection (CN11 Sample CICS tran.)
 - **CN11SampleJCL.xml** sample job provided
 - > *runs a CICS transaction that updates a VSAM file.*

Migration from Compute Grid V 6.1.1 or FP



Notes:

- *WCG V. 6.1 not supported on WAS V. 8.0.*
- *WCG V. 8.0 not supported on WAS V. 6.1.*

Migrate the nodes in the following order:

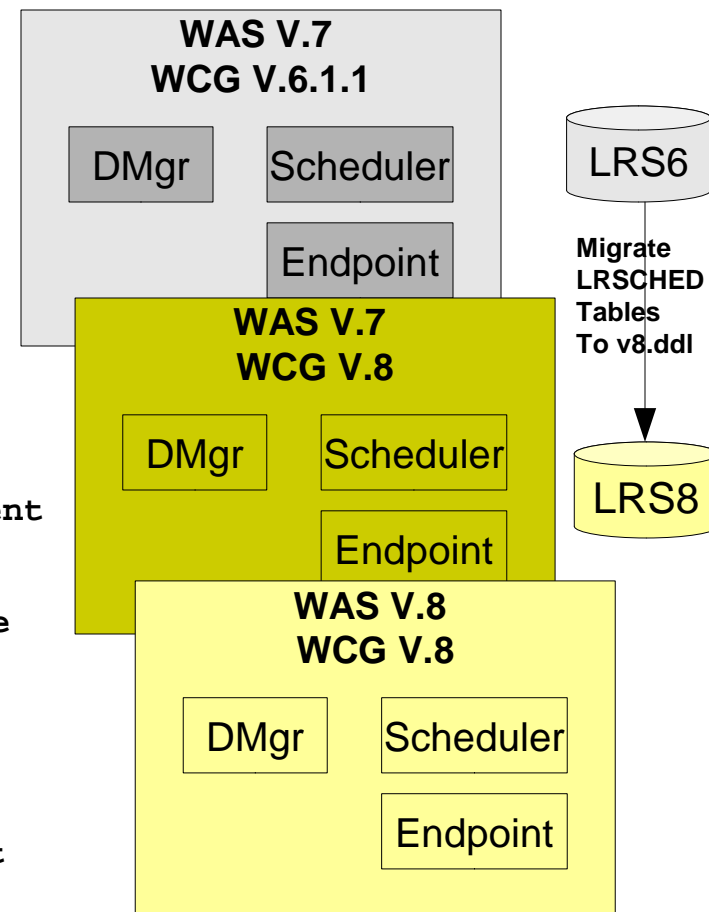
- A) Deployment manager.
- B) Migrate the databases.
- C) Schedulers and endpoints nodes one at a time.

Migrate the Deployment Manager:

1. Run backup script `migrateWCGConfigTo8.py --backup`
2. Unaugment Dmgr: `manageprofiles.sh -unaugment`
3. Install XD Compute Grid V. 8.0. **(Installation Manager)**
4. Augment Deployment manager `manageprofiles.sh -augment`
5. Migrate the Database(s) `MigrateLRSCHEDETablesToV8.ddl`
6. Run the restore script `migrateWCGConfigTo8.py --restore`

Migrate the Scheduler and Endpoint nodes:

7. Unaugment the profile. `manageprofiles.sh -unaugment`
8. Install XD Compute Grid V. 8.0. **(Installation Manager)**
9. Augment the scheduler node. `manageprofiles.sh -augment`
10. Run the restore script `migrateWCGConfigTo8.py --restore`



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