

# XINFO – Scheduler migration support

#### Preamble

This presentation shows how XINFO supports a project team during conversion from one scheduling system to another.

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Review the relevant interfaces

#### Demonstrate some interesting aspects

#### Show several example queries

#### **Scheduler Interfaces**

Following scheduling systems are integrated in XINFO:

- A-Auto (Extension only for Japan)
- Automic (UC4)
- CA-7
- CA-Scheduler
- Control-M (z/OS and distributed)
- IWS (z/OS and IWS distributed)
- Streamworks
- Zeke

#### **Resulting Data**

The XINFO scanner reads job definitions, prepares the data (flags, timestamps, etc.) and groups it in logical parts:

- Job definitions, descriptions, options, etc.
- Scheduling parameters, rules, calendar, etc.
- Dependencies, predecessors, successors
- Resource usage
- Special functions like Recovery, JCL-Variable etc.

#### **Scheduler flowcharts**



#### **Additional useful interfaces**

XINFO provide more interfaces:

- JCL Scanner to find:
  - Special program calls
  - Scheduler utilities
  - Dataset usage
  - Scheduler specific JCL constructs
  - Scheduler variables
- SMF Scanner:
  - To check jobs last run, durations, etc.

#### **Analysis of Complexity**

Every conversion project will begin with an analysis and planning phase:

- Determine the quantity of defined and obsolete objects (jobs, schedules, calendars, resources, etc.).
- Which special features are being used and how often? (resource control, return code handling, dummy-jobs, variables, recovery, etc.).
- Find out manual interactions or dependencies.
- Which interfaces are installed and how do these work (ticket generation, system automation etc.).

#### **Analyzing and Planning**

These figures and information helps you to:

- Estimate the resources needed for the project.
- Check if there are any features that are not available in the new scheduler.
- Check what can be done by a conversion tool.
- Check what can be done or must be done manual.
- Planning the activities and generate a realistic project schedule.

## **Analyzing without XINFO?**

- Standard utilities and scheduler reports are unsuitable to answer all queries.
- It takes a lot of manual work to get the needed information and present it in a useful layout.
- See some query examples in the following slides.

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#### **XINFO Statistic Function**





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#### **Use XINFO in Batch**

Run frequently used queries and process the result in your own REXX programs.

- Create "to do" lists.
- Compare dependencies between the old and new scheduler definitions.
- Generate new job definitions.
- Check site specific scheduling rules and naming conventions.

#### **Use XINFO in Batch**

Check site specific scheduling rules and conventions, e.g.:

- Not allowed options (highest RC>8, maxwait=99 etc.)
- Wrong priority
- Missing restart documentation (OI, Prose, Doc-mem, ...)
- Resource missing or wrong
- Predecessor job not found
- Dummy start/end operation exist or not
- Member=jobname, correct jcllib etc.

#### **Graphic flowchart**



#### Summary

- XINFO is not a conversion tool, but it helps you to:
- Analyze the complexity
- Check the conversion results
- Give required information to anybode
- Create your own conversion routines, based on XINFO data
- Suggestion: Install two XINFO:
  - One for actual information, daily refreshed
  - One with the frozen status before conversion (Scheduler, JCL and SMF information).

#### Thanks for your attention! Do you have any questions?



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