Software Product Description

PRODUCT NAME: Objectivity™/DB for VMS, Version 1.2   **SPD 33.64.02**

DESCRIPTION

Objectivity/DB for VMS is a product of Objectivity, Inc. and is distributed under Digital Equipment Corporation's Standard Terms and Conditions.

Objectivity/DB for VMS is an object-oriented database management system that meets the requirements of engineering, scientific, manufacturing, and other applications. Objectivity/DB meets the feature and performance requirements of many types of applications by combining object-oriented design principles with advanced database features to provide unique facilities for data modeling and runtime support.

Features

Data Modeling

- Object-Oriented Data Model — Provides the C++ data model including C++ classes and multiple inheritance. Objects store scalar and aggregate data in the form of attributes. Objects can be linked together by means of dynamic associations.

- Accepts C++ Class Declarations — The schema definition processor understands C++ class declarations so existing data structures can be made persistent.

- Strong Type Checking — Automatic generation of type-specific methods eliminates the need for tedious and error prone type casting and improves program quality.

- Dynamic Associations — Bidirectional associations for automatic referential integrity; unidirectional for storage efficiency.

- Composite Object Support — Built-in operations such as delete and lock can be propagated along association links.

- Complex Object Support — Each object can contain multiple variable-size arrays.

Programming Language Interface

- Supports C and C++ programming languages.

- Versioning — Supports both linear and branching versioning with built-in genealogy and default versions.

- Iterator Construct — Can be used to traverse one-to-many associations and to scan databases and containers.

- Automatic Type Filtering — Only objects belonging to the class or super-class specified are returned by the iterator.

- Named Objects — Any object can be given names in multiple name scopes.

- Placement Control — Objects can be clustered together under program control into user-defined containers.

Distributed Architecture

- Distributed Database Architecture — Standalone and networked applications are supported with the location of data transparent to user applications.

- Heterogeneous Machine and Operating System Support — Transparent on-demand data format translations among different architectures. Database may be partitioned and the partitions distributed.

- Caching — Flexible and efficient data caching mechanisms for performance.

Multi-User Support

- Concurrency Control — Multi-granularity (hierarchical) automatic locking.

- Short and Long Transactions — Short transactions are supported by the commit/abort semantics. Long transactions are supported by means of Checkin /Checkout.

Database Tools

- Graphical Database Browser— Motif™-based graphical interface allows hypertext-style browsing of database contents through a multi-window view of objects and associations. It provides on-line Help.

- Database Debugger — Interactive debugging support for inspecting and modifying database contents available within a dbx session or as a standalone tool interface.

- Dump/Load Utility — Dump and reload a logical view of objects, containers, or database to and from text format.

- Lock Monitor — Allows database administrator to monitor or set locks; e.g., to coordinate a system shutdown.

- Database Administrator Utilities — Tools for administering the physical components of a federated database. Runtime statistics on logical and physical operations.

- Recovery — Low overhead automatic recovery from hardware and software failures.

Capacity

- Working Sets — Working sets of data are not limited by the size of swap space allocated or the virtual memory available.

- Federated Database — Maximum size per federated database is 8*10**18 bytes.

- Object Identifiers — 64-bit address space.

HARDWARE REQUIREMENTS

Processors Supported

VAX:	VAXft Model 110, VAXft Model 310, VAXft Model 410, VAXft Model 610, VAXft Model 612
	VAX 4000 Model 200, VAX 4000 Model 300, VAX 4000 Model 400
	VAX 6000 Model 200 Series, VAX 6000 Model 300 Series, VAX 6000 Model 400 Series, VAX 6000 Model 500 Series
	VAX 8200, VAX 8250, VAX 8300, VAX 8350, VAX 8500, VAX 8530, VAX 8550, VAX 8600, VAX 8650, VAX 8700, VAX 8800, VAX 8810, VAX 8820, VAX 8830, VAX 8840
	VAX 9000 Model 110, VAX 9000 Model 210, VAX 9000 Model 300 Series, VAX 9000 Model 400 Series
	VAX–11/780, VAX–11/785

MicroVAX:	MicroVAX II, MicroVAX 2000, MicroVAX 3100 Model 30, MicroVAX 3100 Model 40, MicroVAX 3100 Model 80, MicroVAX 3300,MicroVAX 3400, MicroVAX 3500, MicroVAX 3600, MicroVAX 3800, MicroVAX 3900
VAXstation:	VAXstation II, VAXstation 2000, VAXstation 3100 Series, VAXstation 3200, VAXstation 3500, VAXstation 3520, VAXstation 3540, VAXstation 4000 VLC, VAXstation 4000 Model 60
VAXserver:	VAXserver 3100, VAXserver 3300, VAXserver 3400, VAXserver 3500, VAXserver 3600, VAXserver 3602, VAXserver 3800, VAXserver 3900, VAXserver 4000 Model 200, VAXserver 4000 Model 300, VAXserver 5000 Model 500
	VAXserver 6000 Model 210, VAXserver 6000 Model 220, VAXserver 6000 Model 310, VAXserver 6000 Model 320, VAXserver 6000 Model 410, VAXserver 6000 Model 420, VAXserver 6000 Model 510, VAXserver 6000 Model 520, VAXserver 6000 Model 610, VAXserver 6000 Model 620, VAXserver 6000 Model 630

Processors Not Supported

MicroVAX I, VAXstation I, VAX–11/725, VAX 11/730, VAX 11/750, VAX 11/782, VAXstation 8000

Note: A VAXstation is required for display.

Objectivity/DB requires 8 Mbytes of memory (minimum), 12 Mbytes of disk storage for installation, and a TK50 tape drive for installation. Additional disk space is required for usage. Refer to the *Installation Guide* for information to determine space requirements.

SOFTWARE REQUIREMENTS

For Workstations Running DECwindows:

- VMS Operating System V5.4 - V5.5 (and necessary components of VMS DECwindows)

- Objectivity/C++™ V2.0 - V2.1
  (Available through Objectivity, Inc.)

GROWTH CONSIDERATIONS

The minimum hardware/software requirements for any future version of this product may be different from the requirements for the current version.

DISTRIBUTION MEDIA

TK50 Streaming Tape

ORDERING INFORMATION

Objectivity/DB Database Development System for VMS

Software Package (License, Media, and

Documentation): QB-GDAAA-AA

Software Documentation: QA-GDAA*-GZ

Objectivity/DB Application Development System for VMS

Software Package (License, Media, and

Documentation): QB-GDJAA-AA

Software Documentation: QA-GDAA*-GZ

Objectivity/DB Runtime System for VMS

Software License Only: QL-GDDAA-3B

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SOFTWARE LICENSING

The Objectivity/DB Database Development Option supports full development, implementation, maintenance, and system administration including creation of new schemas. This includes the Application Development System.

The Objectivity/DB Application Development Option supports developers of applications not including new schema development, within the context of database meta-data defined by the database developer.

The Objectivity/DB Runtime Option supports end users' use of an application, without the ability to develop new applications in new areas. It includes system administration tools.

The software components contained in each license option are summarized in the following chart:

	Development	Application	Runtime
Schema (DDL Compiler)	X		
Admin (DBA) Functions	X	X	X
Runtime Library	X	X	X
Browser	X	X	
Database Debugger	X	X	

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