

AFP Fast Parser 8.0.3.5 announcement

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The AFP/IPDS high performance solution for printing and PDF generation



AFP Fast Parser is a software solution that converts AFPDS files or Host generated IPDS data streams into PDF, PostScript or image file formats (JPEG, TIFF, PNG, BMP...). AFP Fast Parser is a scalable solution designed for multi-processor and multi-server architectures to fulfill the needs of today's High Speed Production and On-Demand environments. The solution is available for Windows, AIX, Linux and Solaris platforms.

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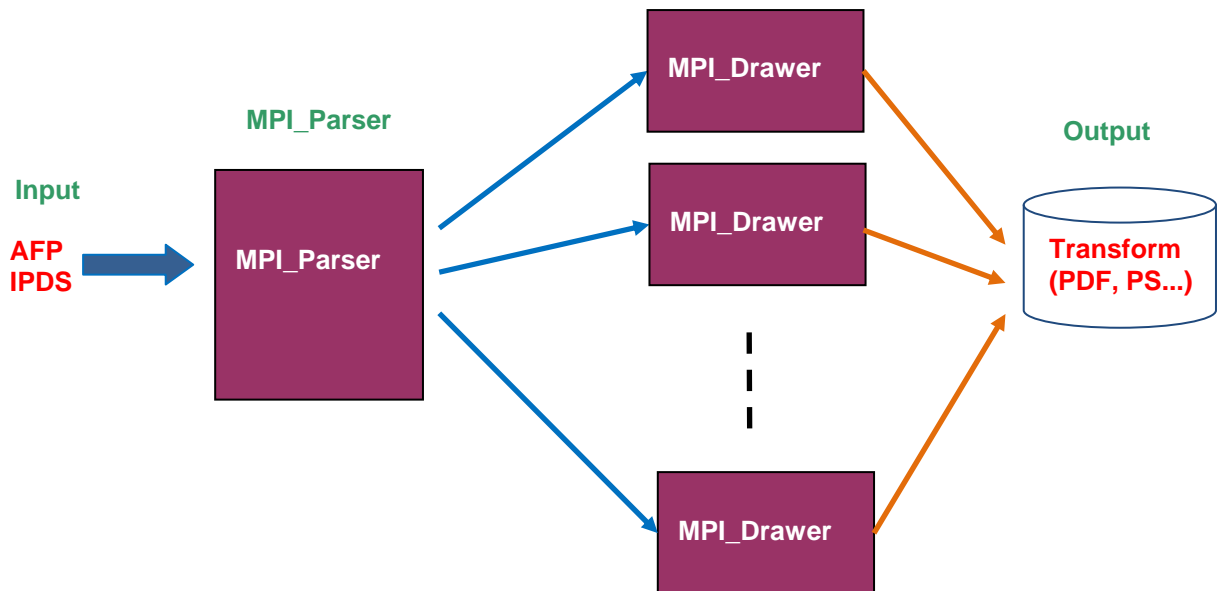
AFP Fast Parser features the following new functions and enhancements:

✓ Architecture

Multi-processor => Multi Server / Multi-processor

AFP Fast Parser is designed to take advantage of multi-processor server architecture. AFP Fast Parser's functionality has now been expanded to run in a multi-server environment to further enhance its performance.

When running on multiple servers, the "MPI_Drawers" component of the product is installed on each enabling multiple pages of the same job to be processed simultaneously.



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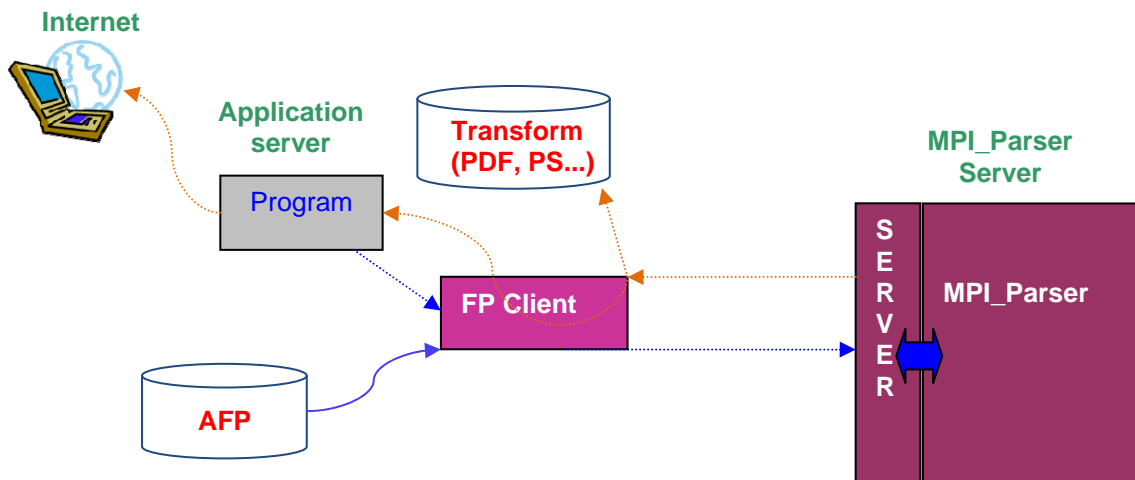
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✓ Application server interface

AFP Fast Parser can be utilized in two modes, batch or server. In batch mode AFP Fast Parser can be launched by another program or script to transform an AFP file. When in running in server mode, the AFP Fast Parser client is used to submit conversion requests to the server.

A new software interface has also been developed to allow interaction with application servers including products like Web Sphere.



✓ IPDS IS/3 Support

AFP Fast parser is compatible with IS/3 for IPDS input. IS/3 is the new MO:DCA interchange set to support product interoperability. Refer to the manual "Intelligent Printer Data Stream Reference" ref. = AFPC-0001-09 for additional information.

✓ Color Support Updates

The support of color has been enhanced with color management. AFP CMR's (Color Management Resources) are supported. Default input and output color profiles can be defined and can be overridden for each job.

CMT (Color Mapping Tables) can be used to map color values. AFP Fast Parser supports the AFP Color mapping containers. Color mapping tables can also be defined in XML format. Default color mapping tables can be defined or activated upon request.

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✓ AFP Indexing functionality

When one wants to transform some pages of a big AFP file (several gigabytes for example) performance can be limited by the disk access. In order to improve the performance, AFP Fast Parser can Index the AFP files. The index of an AFP file is created once and can later be used by AFP Fast Parser to directly access the AFP pages requested during the transform.

More Information

For more information please visit the [AFP Fast Parser product page](#), or contact your nearest MPI Tech office or MPI Tech partner/reseller.

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