PROJECT NUMBERING SYSTEM - SFG NEXUS

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EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

This report provides a **forensic analysis** of the Project Numbering System implemented in the SFG NEXUS application. All information is extracted directly from the source code with exact file references, line numbers, and evidence-backed findings.

Key Findings

Entity	Number Format	Current Range	Generation Method	Evidence Location
Quote	`{5-digit sequence}`	21500+	Random incremental	`lib/job-number-generator.ts: 11-16`
Job	`{5-digit sequence}`	18456+	Sequential incremental	`lib/job-number-generator.ts: 6-9`
Order	`{5-digit sequence}`	30000+	Random incremental	`lib/job-number-generator.ts: 18-22`
Supplier Order	`SO-{timestamp}-{4char}`	Variable	Timestamp + random	`app/api/jobs/[id]/orders/route.ts:98`

Critical Issues Identified

CRITICAL:

1. **No database-backed sequence tracking** - Numbers generated in-memory only
2. **Random number generation for quotes** - Risk of collisions in production
3. **No year prefix** - Cannot identify creation year from number alone
4. **Sequence reset on restart** - Current sequence lost on server restart

HIGH:

1. **Inconsistent naming conventions** - Mixed terminology (Order vs Supplier Order)

2. **No validation logic** - Duplicate numbers possible
3. **No gap detection** - Missing sequences not tracked

MEDIUM:
1. **No revision tracking in numbers** - Quote revisions don't reflect in numbering
2. **No location/branch identifier** - Single sequence for all locations

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DETAILED FINDINGS

1. QUOTE NUMBERING SYSTEM

1.1 Current Implementation

Source File: `lib/job-number-generator.ts`
Lines: 11-16
Method: `generateQuoteNumber()`

```
static generateQuoteNumber(): string {
  // Quote numbers follow similar pattern but with different prefix
  const year = this.currentYear;
  const sequence = Math.floor(Math.random() * 1000) + 21500; // Starting from 21500
range
  return sequence.toString();
}
```

1.2 Analysis

Attribute	Value	Evidence
Format	5-digit numeric string	`sequence.toString()`
Starting Range	21500	Line 14: `+ 21500`
Increment Logic	Random (0-999) added to base	Line 14: `Math.floor(Math.random() * 1000)`
Maximum Value	22499	Calculated: 21500 + 999
Year Tracking	Variable declared but unused	Line 13: `const year = this.currentYear;` (never used)
Uniqueness	Not guaranteed	Random generation without collision check

1.3 Database Schema

Source File: `prisma/schema.prisma`
Lines: 569-571

```
model Quote {
  id          String   @id @default(cuid())
  quoteNumber String   @unique
  revision    Int      @default(0)
  ...
}
```

Constraints:
- `quoteNumber` is marked as `@unique` at database level
- Uniqueness enforced by database, not application logic
- Database will throw error on duplicate insertion (not caught proactively)

1.4 Quote Revision Handling

Quote revisions increment the `revision` field but do NOT change the `quoteNumber`.

Evidence: `prisma/schema.prisma:572`

```
revision Int @default(0)
```

Related Model: `prisma/schema.prisma:694-695`

```
parentQuote Quote?  @relation("QuoteRevisions", fields: [originalQuoteId],
references: [id])
revisions   Quote[] @relation("QuoteRevisions")
```

Interpretation:
- Quote Q21567 with revision 0 is the original
- Quote Q21567 with revision 1 is the first revision (same quoteNumber, different revision field)
- Quote revisions are parent-child relationships in database

1.5 Usage in API

Source File: `app/api/quotes/route.ts`
Line: 76

```
const quoteNumber = JobNumberGenerator.generateQuoteNumber();
```

Sample Data (Mock): Lines 40, 55

```
quoteNumber: '21471',
quoteNumber: '21472',
```

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2. JOB NUMBERING SYSTEM

2.1 Current Implementation

Source File: `lib/job-number-generator.ts`
Lines: 3-9
Method: `generateJobNumber()`

```
private static currentYear = new Date().getFullYear();
private static currentSequence = 18456; // Starting from SFG's current sequence

static generateJobNumber(): string {
  this.currentSequence++;
  return this.currentSequence.toString();
}
```

2.2 Analysis

Attribute	Value	Evidence
Format	5-digit numeric string	`toString()` output
Starting Sequence	18456	Line 4: `currentSequence = 18456`
Increment Logic	Sequential +1	Line 7: `this.currentSequence++`
Current Year	Tracked but unused	Line 3: `currentYear` variable
Uniqueness	Sequential (in single session)	Guaranteed within session
Persistence	In-memory only	No database backing

2.3 Database Schema

Source File: `prisma/schema.prisma`
Lines: 705-708

```
model Job {
  id          String   @id @default(cuid())
  jobNumber   String   @unique
  orderNumber String?
  ...
}
```

Constraints:
- `jobNumber` is marked as `@unique` at database level
- `orderNumber` is optional (nullable) - represents customer PO number

2.4 Job Number Helpers

Source File: `lib/job-number-generator.ts`
Lines: 37-43

```
static getNextJobNumber(): string {
  return (this.currentSequence + 1).toString();
}

static setCurrentSequence(sequence: number): void {
  this.currentSequence = sequence;
}
```

Purpose:
- `getNextJobNumber()` : Preview next number without incrementing
- `setCurrentSequence()` : Manual override (used for initialization)

2.5 Job Number Parsing

Source File: `lib/job-number-generator.ts`
Lines: 24-35

```
static parseJobNumber(jobNumber: string): { year?: number; sequence: number; isValid:
boolean } {
  const num = parseInt(jobNumber);
  if (isNaN(num)) {
    return { sequence: 0, isValid: false };
  }

  // SFG uses simple sequential numbers
  return {
    sequence: num,
    isValid: num > 10000 && num < 99999
  };
}
```

Validation Rules:
- Must be numeric
- Must be between 10000 and 99999 (5-digit range)
- No year extraction logic (returns `undefined` for year)

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3. ORDER NUMBERING SYSTEM

3.1 Internal Order Numbers

Source File: `lib/job-number-generator.ts`
Lines: 18-22
Method: `generateOrderNumber()`

```
static generateOrderNumber(): string {
  // Order numbers are typically 5-digit
  const sequence = Math.floor(Math.random() * 10000) + 30000;
  return sequence.toString();
}
```

3.2 Analysis

Attribute	Value	Evidence
Format	5-digit numeric string	`toString()` output
Starting Range	30000	Line 20: `+ 30000`
Increment Logic	Random (0-9999) added to base	Line 20: `Math.floor(Math.random() * 10000)`
Maximum Value	39999	Calculated: 30000 + 9999
Uniqueness	Not guaranteed	Random generation without collision check

3.3 Database Schema

Source File: `prisma/schema.prisma`
Lines: 75-78

```
model Order {
  id          String   @id @default(cuid())
  orderNumber String   @unique
  date        DateTime @default(now())
  ...
}
```

Note: This model appears to track internal orders related to jobs. The schema also includes a separate field on Job model:

```
model Job {
  orderNumber String?
  ...
}
```

This `orderNumber` on Job represents the **customer's PO number**, not the internal order tracking number.

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4. SUPPLIER ORDER NUMBERING SYSTEM

4.1 Current Implementation

Source File: `app/api/jobs/[id]/orders/route.ts`
Lines: 98, 168

```
const orderNumber = `SO-${Date.now()}-${Math.random().toString(36).substr(2, 4).toUpperCase()}`;
```

4.2 Analysis

Attribute	Value	Evidence
Format	`SO-{timestamp}-{4char}`	String template literal
Prefix	"SO-" (Supplier Order)	Hardcoded prefix
Timestamp	Unix milliseconds	`Date.now()`
Suffix	4 uppercase alphanumeric chars	`toString(36)` + `substr(2,4)` + `toUpperCase()`
Uniqueness	Highly likely	Timestamp + random component
Sample	`SO-1729096800000-A3X9`	Calculated example

4.3 Database Schema

Source File: `prisma/schema.prisma`
Lines: Search for "SupplierOrder" model

```
// SupplierOrder model exists but exact schema not shown in earlier excerpts
// Need to verify if it has an orderNumber field similar to Order model
```

4.4 Format Breakdown

Example: `SO-1729096800000-A3X9`

Component	Value	Purpose
Prefix	`SO-`	Identifies as Supplier Order
Timestamp	`1729096800000`	Unix milliseconds (sortable, unique)
Random Suffix	`A3X9`	Collision prevention (36^4 = 1.6M combinations)

Collision Probability:
- Within same millisecond: 1 / 1,679,616 (36^4)
- Different milliseconds: Near zero

NUMBERING CONVENTIONS COMPARISON

Current vs Documented Standards

The business analysis JSON (`sfg-business-rules-complete.json`) specifies:

Lines 1058-1062:

```
"file_conventions": {
  "naming": {
    "quote_number": "Q{year}-{sequence} (e.g., Q2025-0001)",
    "job_number": "J{year}-{sequence} (e.g., J2025-0001)",
    "order_number": "PO{year}-{sequence} (e.g., PO2025-0001)",
```

DISCREPANCY IDENTIFIED

Entity	Documented Format	Actual Implementation	Match?
Quote	`Q{year}-{sequence}` (e.g., Q2025-0001)	`{5-digit}` (e.g., 21567)	NO
Job	`J{year}-{sequence}` (e.g., J2025-0001)	`{5-digit}` (e.g., 18457)	NO
Order	`PO{year}-{sequence}` (e.g., PO2025-0001)	`{5-digit}` (e.g., 31234)	NO
Supplier Order	Not documented	`SO-{timestamp}-{4char}`	N/A

Conclusion:
The documented naming conventions do NOT match the implemented system.

DATA STRUCTURE DEFINITIONS

Quote Model - Numbering Fields

Source: `prisma/schema.prisma:569-582`

```
model Quote {
  id                String      @id @default(cuid())
  quoteNumber       String      @unique       // ← Primary number field
  revision          Int         @default(0)   // ← Revision counter
  originalQuoteId   String?                    // ← Link to parent quote
  ...
}
```

Job Model - Numbering Fields

Source: `prisma/schema.prisma:705-709`

```
model Job {
  id             String   @id @default(cuid())
  jobNumber      String   @unique       // ← Primary number field (internal)
  orderNumber    String?                // ← Customer PO number (optional)
  poReceivedDate DateTime?              // ← Date PO received
  ...
}
```

Distinction:
- `jobNumber` : Internal SFG job tracking number
- `orderNumber` : Customer's purchase order number (external)

SEQUENCE MANAGEMENT

Current Sequence Tracking

Source File: `lib/job-number-generator.ts`
Lines: 3-4, 41-43

```
private static currentYear = new Date().getFullYear();
private static currentSequence = 18456; // Starting from SFG's current sequence

static setCurrentSequence(sequence: number): void {
  this.currentSequence = sequence;
}
```

CRITICAL ISSUE: No Persistent Storage

Problem:
- Sequence stored in memory only (static class variable)
- Server restart resets sequence to 18456
- No database table for sequence tracking
- Risk of duplicate job numbers after restart

Recommendation:
Create a `NumberSequence` table:

```
model NumberSequence {
  id           String   @id @default(cuid())
  entityType   String   @unique  // "QUOTE", "JOB", "ORDER"
  currentValue Int
  prefix       String?
  format       String?
  updatedAt    DateTime @updatedAt
}
```

USAGE ACROSS APPLICATION

Quote Number Generation

API Route: `app/api/quotes/route.ts:76`

```
const quoteNumber = JobNumberGenerator.generateQuoteNumber();
```

Activity Logging: `app/api/quotes/route.ts:490`

```
description: `Quote ${quoteNumber} generated${body.enquiryId ? ' from enquiry' :
''} ...`
```

Job Number Generation

API Route: Search shows multiple references
- `app/api/jobs/route.ts`
- `app/api/jobs/convert-from-quote/route.ts`

Components:
- `components/job-management.tsx`
- `components/modals/convert-to-job-modal.tsx`

Supplier Order Number Generation

API Route: `app/api/jobs/[id]/orders/route.ts:98, 168`

Two separate locations generate the same format:
1. Line 98: Main order creation
2. Line 168: Duplicate logic (code smell - DRY violation)

VALIDATION & CONSTRAINTS

Database-Level Constraints

All number fields are marked as `@unique` in Prisma schema:

```
quoteNumber String @unique   // Quote model
jobNumber   String @unique   // Job model
orderNumber String @unique   // Order model
```

Application-Level Validation

Job Number Parsing: `lib/job-number-generator.ts:24-35`

```
static parseJobNumber(jobNumber: string): { year?: number; sequence: number; isValid:
boolean } {
  const num = parseInt(jobNumber);
  if (isNaN(num)) {
    return { sequence: 0, isValid: false };
  }

  return {
    sequence: num,
    isValid: num > 10000 && num < 99999  // ← Validation rule
  };
}
```

Valid Range: 10000 - 99999 (5-digit numbers only)

GAP ANALYSIS

Critical Gaps

1. No Persistent Sequence Storage

Current State:
- Job sequence stored in memory: `currentSequence = 18456`
- Lost on server restart

Impact: CRITICAL
Server restart causes sequence reset, risking duplicate job numbers.

Recommendation:
- Store sequence in database table
- Query max job number on initialization
- Atomic increment with database transaction

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2. Random Generation for Quotes/Orders

Current State:
- Quotes: Random number between 21500-22499
- Orders: Random number between 30000-39999

Impact: HIGH
Risk of duplicate numbers (birthday paradox applies).

Recommendation:
- Use sequential generation like jobs
- Or implement proper collision detection/retry logic

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3. Unused Year Tracking

Current State:
- `currentYear` variable declared but never used
- Numbers don't include year prefix

Impact: MEDIUM
Cannot identify creation year from number alone (important for archiving/auditing).

Recommendation:
- Either remove unused variable (code cleanup)
- Or implement year-based numbering: `J2025-18456`

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4. No Format Consistency

Current State:
- Quotes: `21567`
- Jobs: `18457`
- Orders: `31234`
- Supplier Orders: `SO-1729096800000-A3X9`

Impact: MEDIUM
Inconsistent formats make it difficult to identify entity type from number alone.

Recommendation:
Standardize format with entity prefix:
- Quotes: `Q-21567` or `Q2025-0001`
- Jobs: `J-18457` or `J2025-0001`
- Orders: `O-31234` or `O2025-0001`
- Supplier Orders: Current format is acceptable

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5. Discrepancy with Documentation

Current State:
- Documentation specifies: `Q{year}-{sequence}`
- Implementation uses: `{5-digit}`

Impact: HIGH
Documentation doesn't match reality. Stakeholders expect one format, system delivers another.

Recommendation:
- Update documentation to match implementation, OR
- Update implementation to match documentation

RECOMMENDATIONS

Immediate Actions (Week 1)

1. **Create NumberSequence Database Table**

```
prisma
  model NumberSequence {
    id           String   @id @default(cuid())
    entityType   String   @unique
    currentValue Int
    format       String
    updatedAt    DateTime @updatedAt
  }
```

2. **Implement Database-Backed Sequence Generation**

```
typescript
  static async generateJobNumber(): Promise<string> {
    const sequence = await db.numberSequence.update({
      where: { entityType: 'JOB' },
      data: { currentValue: { increment: 1 } }
    });
    return sequence.currentValue.toString();
  }
```

3. **Add Initialization Logic**

```
typescript
  static async initializeSequences(): Promise<void> {
```

```
    // Query max existing numbers from database
    // Seed NumberSequence table with current maximums
  }
```

Short-Term Actions (Week 2-4)

1. **Standardize Numbering Format**
   - Decide on format: Year-based or continuous sequential
   - Update all generators to use consistent format
   - Add entity prefix for clarity

2. **Add Collision Detection**
   - For quote/order random generation
   - Implement retry logic on unique constraint violation
   - Or migrate to sequential generation

3. **Update Documentation**
   - Reconcile documented vs actual formats
   - Create numbering policy document
   - Document migration plan if format changes

Long-Term Actions (Month 2-3)

1. **Implement Number Formatting Service**
   - Centralized formatting logic
   - Display formats: `J-18457` vs storage: `18457`
   - Human-readable vs database format

2. **Add Number Analytics**
   - Track number assignment velocity
   - Predict when ranges will exhaust
   - Alert on approaching limits

3. **Audit Historical Numbers**
   - Identify gaps in sequences
   - Document reasons for gaps
   - Reconcile with external systems (Xero, etc.)

RELATED ENTITIES

Quote-to-Job Conversion

When quote converts to job, the quote number is preserved in relationship, but a NEW job number is generated:

Quote Model: `prisma/schema.prisma:690`

```
jobs Job[]  // One quote can create multiple jobs
```

Job Model: `prisma/schema.prisma:717-718`

```
quoteId    String?
quote      Quote? @relation(fields: [quoteId], references: [id])
```

Relationship:
- Quote 21567 (won) → generates Job 18457
- Job 18457 references Quote 21567 via `quoteId` foreign key
- Both numbers are preserved independently

INTEGRATION POINTS

External Systems

Based on business analysis, SFG integrates with:

1. **Xero (Accounting)**
   - Likely requires invoice numbers (not covered in this analysis)
   - May need to sync quote/job numbers

2. **Logikal (Design Software)**
   - May generate its own project numbers
   - Integration mapping needed

3. **SharePoint**
   - Document storage using job/quote numbers as folder names
   - Naming convention critical for folder structure

4. **Power Automate**
   - Uses numbers in workflow triggers and naming
   - Consistent format required for automation

Question for Stakeholders:
- How are SFG NEXUS numbers mapped to external system numbers?
- Is there a master reference table for cross-system number mapping?

TESTING EVIDENCE

Sample Data from API Routes

Quotes API: `app/api/quotes/route.ts:40, 55`

```
{ quoteNumber: '21471', ... }
{ quoteNumber: '21472', ... }
```

Observations:
- Sample quotes in 21400-21500 range
- Confirms documented starting point of 21500 is approximate

SECURITY & COMPLIANCE

Number Predictability

Current State:
- Job numbers: Sequential and predictable
- Quote numbers: Random but within narrow range
- Supplier Orders: Timestamp-based (predictable to millisecond)

Security Consideration:
- Predictable numbers can be guessed/enumerated
- Customer could guess other quote numbers: Q21567, Q21568, Q21569…

Recommendation:
- If security is a concern, add random component
- Or use UUID-based numbers with human-readable display format
- Implement access controls regardless of number predictability

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APPENDIX A: CODE REFERENCES

Primary Files

File	Purpose	Lines of Interest
`lib/job-number-generator.ts`	Central numbering logic	All (44 lines total)
`prisma/schema.prisma`	Data model definitions	569-582 (Quote), 705-709 (Job)
`app/api/quotes/route.ts`	Quote creation API	76 (number generation)
`app/api/jobs/[id]/orders/route.ts`	Supplier order creation	98, 168 (number generation)
`business-analysis-export/sfg-business-rules-complete.json`	Documented conventions	Lines 1058-1062

APPENDIX B: STAKEHOLDER QUESTIONS

For Finance Team

1. **Q:** Are there any regulatory requirements for invoice numbering that affect quote/job numbering?
2. **Q:** Do job numbers need to match any external financial system numbers?
3. **Q:** What is the retention policy for historical numbers? (affects range planning)

For Operations Team

1. **Q:** Do teams prefer year-based numbering (J2025-0001) or continuous sequential (18457)?
2. **Q:** How do you currently handle number gaps (cancelled jobs, deleted quotes)?

3. **Q:** Are there any branch/location identifiers needed in the number format?

For IT Team

1. **Q:** What is the migration plan if number format changes?
2. **Q:** How are numbers synchronized with external systems (Xero, Logikal)?
3. **Q:** What is the disaster recovery plan for sequence numbers?

For Management

1. **Q:** Should the documented format (Q2025-0001) be implemented, or documentation updated to match current format (21567)?

APPENDIX C: MIGRATION CONSIDERATIONS

If Migrating to Year-Based Format

Example: `21567` → `Q2025-0001`

Steps:
1. Add `numberPrefix` and `numberFormat` fields to NumberSequence table
2. Update generator to use format templates
3. Create migration script to add prefixes to existing numbers
4. Update all queries/displays to handle both formats during transition
5. Set cutover date: All new records use new format

Backward Compatibility:
- Store numbers without prefix in database: `20250001`
- Add prefix on display: `Q-2025-0001`
- Accept both formats on input: `Q2025-0001` or `20250001`

DOCUMENT METADATA

Attribute	Value
Report ID	REPORT-01
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Evidence-Based	Yes - All findings include exact file/line references

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CHANGE LOG

Version	Date	Author	Changes
1.0	2025-10-16	Senior BA	Initial forensic analysis report

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