



## Comparison of IBM ASF vs. DOPIX ARK

Functions	IBM ASF	DOPIX ARK
High Volume Batch document creation	Yes	Yes
On-demand single document creation	Yes	Yes
Interactive single document creation	Yes	Yes
Call interface from zOS batch, CICS and IMS applications	Yes	Yes
Call interface from distributed platforms	No	Yes
Call-back interface to zOS batch, CICS and IMS applications	Yes	Yes
Call-back interface to distributed platforms	No	Yes
Web Service interface	No	Yes
Record oriented interface formats	Yes	Yes
XLM interface formats	No	Yes
Graphical User Interface for End Users	No	Yes
Graphical administration and development environment	No	Yes
Forms designer	No	Yes
DCF programmable variable output	Yes	Yes
Logic based variable output	No	Yes
Rule based variable output	No	Yes
Output format AFP	Yes	Yes
Output Format Line Mode	Yes	Yes
Output Format PDF and PDF/A	No	Yes
Output in Image formats (TIFF, JPEG etc.)	No	Yes
Output to Email and Social Media	No	Yes
Direct Output to local Printers (PCL, Postscript etc.)	No	Yes
Resource format AFP for logos, fonts, images etc.	Yes	Yes
Resource formats PDF, TIFF, JPEG, EPS, PNG... for logos, fonts images etc.	No	Yes
No DCF or programming skills needed to create new templates	No	Yes

**DOPIX ARK directly replaces current ASF functions and enables modern Communications methods**