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The Digital Video Broadcasting Project (DVB) is an industry-led consortium of broadcasters, manufacturers, network operators, software developers, regulatory bodies, content owners and others committed to designing global standards for the delivery of digital television and data services. DVB fosters market driven solutions that meet the needs and economic circumstances of broadcast industry stakeholders and consumers. DVB standards cover all aspects of digital television from transmission through interfacing, conditional access and interactivity for digital video, audio and data. The consortium came together in 1993 to provide global standardization, interoperability and future proof specifications.

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1 Scope

The present document specifies the Service Information (SI) data which forms a part of DVB bitstreams, in order that the user can be provided with information to assist in selection of services and/or events within the bitstream, and so that the Integrated Receiver Decoder (IRD) can automatically configure itself for the selected service. SI data for automatic configuration is mostly specified within ISO/IEC 13818-1 [18] as Program Specific Information (PSI).

The present document specifies additional data which complements the PSI by providing data to aid automatic tuning of IRDs, and additional information intended for display to the user. The manner of presentation of the information is not specified in the present document, and IRD manufacturers have freedom to choose appropriate presentation methods.

It is expected that Electronic Programme Guides (EPGs) will be a feature of Digital TV transmissions.

The definition of an EPG is outside the scope of the present document (i.e. the SI specification), but the data contained within the SI specified in the present document may be used as the basis for an EPG.

Rules of operation for the implementation of the present document are specified in TS 101 211 [i.2].

2 References

References are either specific (identified by date of publication and/or edition number or version number) or non-specific. For specific references, only the cited version applies. For non-specific references, the latest version of the reference document (including any amendments) applies.

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- [5] ETSI EN 301 210: "Digital Video Broadcasting (DVB); Framing structure, channel coding and modulation for Digital Satellite News Gathering (DSNG) and other contribution applications by satellite".
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3 Definitions and abbreviations

3.1 Definitions

For the purposes of the present document, the following terms and definitions apply:

AC-3: Refers to the coding of audio using the AC-3 audio compression standard, as specified in TS 102 366 [14].

NOTE: The Service Information requirements for AC-3 streams carried in DVB systems are described in annex D. The carriage of AC-3 elementary streams as private data within MPEG systems is described in annex C of TS 101 154 [9].

bouquet: collection of services marketed as a single entity

broadcaster (SERVICE Provider): organization which assembles a sequence of events or data streams to be delivered to the viewer; the delivery can be based upon a schedule

cell: geographical area that is covered with DVB-T signals delivering one or more particular transport streams throughout the area by means of one or more transmitters

NOTE: The cell may in addition contain repeaters. Two neighbouring cells may be intersecting or fully overlapping. The cell_id that is used to uniquely identify a cell is unique within each original_network_id. For hand-over purposes it is more convenient if the transport streams associated with the cell cover exactly the same area, or only one transport stream per cell is used.

component (ELEMENTARY Stream): one or more entities which together make up an event

EXAMPLE: Video, audio, teletext.

Conditional Access (CA) system: system to control subscriber access to services, data streams and events

EXAMPLE: Videoguard, Eurocrypt.

delivery system: physical medium by which one or more DVB transport streams are transmitted

EXAMPLE: Satellite system, wide-band coaxial cable, fibre optics, terrestrial channel of one emitting point.

dependent stream: a stream or component which relies on another stream or component in order to be rendered as intended

EXAMPLE: A dependent view of a 3D video, or a receiver-mix audio description stream.

DTS®: refers to the first generation audio coding system by DTS, Inc. defined by TS 102 114 [12] version 1.2.1.

NOTE: The service information requirements for DTS® are found in annex G.

DTS-HD®: refers to the enhanced DTS® audio coding system by DTS, Inc. defined by TS 102 114 [12] version 1.3.1 and later. Note that DTS-HD® is a superset of DTS®.

NOTE: The service information requirements for DTS-HD® are found in annex G.

DVB transport stream: an MPEG-2 transport stream [18] containing the mandatory DVB-SI signalling as defined in the present document

NOTE: It is recommended that the DVB-SI implementation guidelines [i.2] should be followed in addition. They define additional requirements for the signalling to help improve the quality of experience for viewers.

event: grouping of elementary broadcast data streams with a defined start time and duration belonging to a common service

EXAMPLE: First half of a football match, News Flash, first part of an entertainment show.

forbidden: when used in the clauses defining the coded bit stream, indicates that the value is never used

MPEG-2: See ISO/IEC 13818 [18].

NOTE: Systems coding is defined in part 1 [18]. Video coding is defined in part 2 [19]. Audio coding is defined in part 3 [20].

network: managed and navigable collection of DVB transport streams transmitted on one or more delivery systems generally based on the same physical medium

NOTE 1: It is possible to operate both, first and second generation delivery systems in the same network (e.g. DVB-T and DVB-T2).

NOTE 2: A network is identified by its network_id. It might be composed of one or more emitting sites.

n PSK: n-valued Phase Shift Keying (other than quaternary)

original_network_id: unique identifier of a broadcast platform operator

NOTE: This value is assigned by DVB.

repeater: equipment which allows reception of a terrestrial signal and to re-transmit it unchanged

NOTE: Hence it does not support changing of the cell_id.

reserved: when used in the clause defining the coded bit stream, indicates that the value may be used in the future for ISO defined extensions

NOTE: Unless otherwise specified within the present document all "reserved" bits are set to "1".

reserved_future_use: when used in the clause defining the coded bit stream, indicates that the value may be used in the future for ETSI defined extensions

NOTE: Unless otherwise specified within the present document all "reserved_future_use" bits are set to "1".

section: syntactic structure used for mapping all service information defined in the present document into ISO/IEC 13818-1 [18] TS packets

service: a grouping (usually defined by a PMT) of one or more data streams which are offered as a whole to the user

service_id: unique identifier of a service within a DVB transport stream

NOTE: In areas where TS 101 211 [i.2] is applicable in addition to the present document, a service_id is also unique within the scope of an original_network_id.

Service Information (SI): describes the delivery system, and the content and scheduling/timing of services and events

NOTE: It includes MPEG-2 Program Specific Information (PSI) together with DVB-defined extensions.

subcell: geographical area that is part of the cells coverage area and that is covered with DVB-T signals by means of a transposer

NOTE: In conjunction with the cell_id the cell_id extension is used to uniquely identify a subcell.

sub_table: Collection of sections with the same value of table_id and:

- for a NIT: the same table_id_extension (network_id) and version_number;
- for a BAT: the same table_id_extension (bouquet_id) and version_number;
- for a SDT: the same table_id_extension (transport_stream_id), the same original_network_id and version_number;
- for a EIT: the same table_id_extension (service_id), the same transport_stream_id, the same original_network_id and version_number.

NOTE: The table_id_extension field is equivalent to the fourth and fifth byte of a section when the section_syntax_indicator is set to a value of "1".

table: comprised of a number of sub_tables with the same value of table_id

transmitter: equipment that emits a modulated DVB stream

Transport Stream (TS): data structure defined in ISO/IEC 13818-1 [18]

NOTE: It is the basis of the DVB standards.

transport_stream_id: unique identifier of a TS within an original network

transposer: special type of repeater which receives a terrestrial DVB signal and re-transmits it on a different frequency

The relationships of some of these definitions are illustrated in the service delivery model in figure 1.