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# 1 Scope

The present document describes a second generation baseline transmission system for digital terrestrial television broadcasting. It specifies the channel coding/modulation system intended for digital television services and generic data streams.

The scope is as follows:

- it gives a general description of the Baseline System for digital terrestrial TV;
- it specifies the digitally modulated signal in order to allow compatibility between pieces of equipment developed by different manufacturers. This is achieved by describing in detail the signal processing at the modulator side, while the processing at the receiver side is left open to different implementation solutions. However, it is necessary in this text to refer to certain aspects of reception.

Versions 1.1.1 and 1.2.1 of the present document [i.7] and [i.8] defined a single profile which incorporates time-slicing but not time-frequency-slicing (TFS). Features which would allow a possible future implementation of TFS (for receivers with two tuners/front-ends) can be found in annex E. It is not intended that a receiver with a single tuner should support TFS.

Version 1.3.1 of the present document [i.9] added a T2-Lite profile. This profile is intended to allow simpler receiver implementations for very low capacity applications such as mobile broadcasting, although it may also be received by conventional stationary receivers. The details of this T2-Lite profile are described in annex I. Version 1.3.1 of the present document [i.9] also introduces a name, which is 'T2-base profile', for the previous single profile.

Version 1.4.1 (the present document) made a number of changes, but all of these are clarifications of particular points, changes in non-normative recommendations, and corrections to the wording; no new technical features have been added and no changes have been made to existing features.

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| [2] | ETSI TS 102 992: "Digital Video Broadcasting (DVB); Structure and modulation of optional transmitter signatures (T2-TX-SIG) for use with the DVB-T2 second generation digital terrestrial television broadcasting system". |

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- [i.1] ISO/IEC 13818-1: "Information technology - Generic coding of moving pictures and associated audio information: Systems".
- [i.2] ETSI TS 102 606: "Digital Video Broadcasting (DVB); Generic Stream Encapsulation (GSE) Protocol".
- [i.3] ETSI EN 302 307: "Digital Video Broadcasting (DVB); Second generation framing structure, channel coding and modulation systems for Broadcasting, Interactive Services, News Gathering and other broadband satellite applications (DVB-S2)".
- [i.4] ETSI EN 300 468: "Digital Video Broadcasting (DVB); Specification for Service Information (SI) in DVB systems".
- [i.5] ETSI EN 300 744: "Digital Video Broadcasting (DVB); Framing structure, channel coding and modulation for digital terrestrial television".
- [i.6] ETSI TS 102 831: "Digital Video Broadcasting (DVB); Implementation guidelines for a second generation digital terrestrial television broadcasting system (DVB-T2)".
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## 3 Definitions, symbols and abbreviations

### 3.1 Definitions

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

**0xkk:** digits 'kk' should be interpreted as a hexadecimal number

**active cell:** OFDM cell which is not a pilot, tone reservation cell or unmodulated cell in the frame closing symbol

**auxiliary stream:** sequence of cells carrying data of as yet undefined modulation and coding, which may be used for future extensions or as required by broadcasters or network operators

**BBFRAME:** set of  $K_{\text{bch}}$  bits which form the input to one FEC encoding process (BCH and LDPC encoding)

**bias balancing cells:** special cells inserted into the P2 symbols to reduce the effect of the bias in the L1 signalling

**common PLP:** PLP having one slice per T2-frame, transmitted after the L1 signalling and any bias balancing cells, which may contain data shared by multiple PLPs

**configurable L1-signalling:** L1 signalling consisting of parameters which remain the same for the duration of one super-frame

**data cell:** OFDM cell which is not a pilot or tone reservation cell (may be an unmodulated cell in the Frame Closing Symbol)

**data PLP:** PLP of Type 1 or Type 2

**data symbol:** OFDM symbol in a T2-frame which is not a P1 or P2 symbol

**div**: integer division operator, defined as:

$$x \text{ div } y = \left\lfloor \frac{x}{y} \right\rfloor$$

**dummy cell**: OFDM cell carrying a pseudo-random value used to fill the remaining capacity not used for L1 signalling, PLPs or Auxiliary Streams

**dynamic L1-signalling**: L1 signalling consisting of parameters which may change from one T2-frame to the next

**elementary period**: time period which depends on the system bandwidth and is used to define the other time periods in the T2 system

**FEC Block**: set of  $N_{\text{cells}}$  OFDM cells carrying all the bits of one LDPC FECFRAME

**FECFRAME**: set of  $N_{\text{ldpc}}$  (16 200 or 64 800) bits from one LDPC encoding operation

**FEF part**: part of the super-frame between two T2-frames which contains FEFs

NOTE: A FEF part always starts with a P1 symbol. The remaining contents of the FEF part should be ignored by a DVB-T2 receiver and may contain further P1 symbols.

**FFT size**: nominal FFT size used for a particular mode, equal to the active symbol period  $T_s$  expressed in cycles of the elementary period  $T$

**for i=0..xxx-1**: the corresponding signalling loop is repeated as many times as there are elements of the loop

NOTE: If there are no elements, the whole loop is omitted.

**frame closing symbol**: OFDM symbol with higher pilot density used at the end of a T2-frame in certain combinations of FFT size, guard interval and scattered pilot pattern

**Im(x)**: imaginary part of x

**interleaving frame**: unit over which dynamic capacity allocation for a particular PLP is carried out, made up of an integer, dynamically varying number of FEC blocks and having a fixed relationship to the T2-frames

NOTE: The Interleaving Frame may be mapped directly to one T2-frame or may be mapped to multiple T2-frames. It may contain one or more TI-blocks.

**L1 bias balancing bits**: unused bits within the L1 signalling fields which are nominated to be set so as to reduce the overall bias in the L1 signalling

**L1-post signalling**: signalling carried in the P2 symbol carrying more detailed L1 information about the T2 system and the PLPs

**L1-pre signalling**: signalling carried in the P2 symbols having a fixed size, coding and modulation, including basic information about the T2 system as well as information needed to decode the L1-post signalling

NOTE: L1-pre signalling remains the same for the duration of a super-frame.

**MISO group**: group (1 or 2) to which a particular transmitter in a MISO network belongs, determining the type of processing which is performed to the data cells and the pilots

NOTE: Signals from transmitters in different groups will combine in an optimal manner at the receiver.

**mod**: modulo operator, defined as:

$$x \text{ mod } y = x - y \left\lfloor \frac{x}{y} \right\rfloor$$

**nn<sub>D</sub>**: digits 'nn' should be interpreted as a decimal number

**normal symbol**: OFDM symbol in a T2-frame which is not a P1, P2 or Frame Closing symbol

**OFDM cell:** modulation value for one OFDM carrier during one OFDM symbol, e.g. a single constellation point

**OFDM symbol:** waveform Ts in duration comprising all the active carriers modulated with their corresponding modulation values and including the guard interval

**P1 signalling:** signalling carried by the P1 symbol and used to identify the basic mode of the DVB-T2 symbol

**P1 symbol:** fixed pilot symbol that carries S1 and S2 signalling fields and is located in the beginning of the frame within each RF-channel

NOTE: The P1 symbol is mainly used for fast initial band scan to detect the T2 signal, its timing, frequency offset, and FFT-size.

**P2 symbol:** pilot symbol located right after P1 with the same FFT-size and guard interval as the data symbols

NOTE: The number of P2 symbols depends on the FFT-size. The P2 symbols are used for fine frequency and timing synchronization as well as for initial channel estimate. P2 symbols carry L1 and L2 signalling information and may also carry data.

**physical layer pipe:** physical layer TDM channel that is carried by the specified sub-slices

NOTE: A PLP may carry one or multiple services.

**PLP\_ID:** this 8-bit field identifies uniquely a PLP within the T2 system, identified with the T2\_system\_id

NOTE: The same PLP\_ID may occur in one or more frames of the super-frame.

**Re(x):** real part of x

**reserved for future use:** not defined by the present document but may be defined in future revisions of the present document

NOTE: Further requirements concerning the use of fields indicated as "reserved for future use" are given in clause 7.1.

**slice:** set of all cells of a PLP which are mapped to a particular T2-frame

NOTE: A slice may be divided into sub-slices.

**sub-slice:** group of cells from a single PLP, which before frequency interleaving, are transmitted on active OFDM cells with consecutive addresses over a single RF channel

**T2-base signal:** T2 signal using the T2-base profile

**T2-frame:** fixed physical layer TDM frame that is further divided into variable size sub-slices. T2-frame starts with one P1 and one or multiple P2 symbols

**T2-Lite signal:** T2 signal using the T2-Lite profile

**T2 profile:** subset of all configurations allowed by the present document

NOTE: The present document defines a T2-base profile and a T2-Lite profile.

**T2 signal:** signal consisting of the waveform using a particular profile of the present document (T2-base profile or T2-Lite profile), including any FEF parts

NOTE: A composite RF signal may be formed comprising two or more T2 signals, where each T2 signal has the others in its FEF parts.

**T2 Super-frame:** set of T2-frames consisting of a particular number of consecutive T2-frames

NOTE: A super-frame may in addition include FEF parts.

**T2 system:** second generation terrestrial broadcast system whose input is one or more TS or GSE streams and whose output is an RF signal

NOTE: The T2 system:

- means an entity where one or more PLPs are carried, in a particular way, within a DVB-T2 signal on one or more frequencies;
- is unique within the T2 network and it is identified with T2\_system\_id. Two T2 systems with the same T2\_system\_id and network\_id have identical physical layer structure and configuration, except for the cell\_id which may differ;
- is transparent to the data that it carries (including transport streams and services).

**T2\_SYSTEM\_ID:** this 16-bit field identifies uniquely the T2 system within the DVB network (identified by NETWORK\_ID)

**time interleaving block (TI-block):** set of cells within which time interleaving is carried out, corresponding to one use of the time interleaver memory

**type 1 PLP:** PLP having one slice per T2-frame, transmitted before any Type 2 PLPs

**type 2 PLP:** PLP having two or more sub-slices per T2-frame, transmitted after any Type 1 PLPs

## 3.2 Symbols

For the purposes of the present document, the following symbols apply:

$\oplus$	Exclusive OR / modulo-2 addition operation
$\Delta$	Guard interval duration
$\lambda_i$	LDPC codeword bits
$\eta_{\text{MOD}}, \eta_{\text{MOD}}(i)$	number of transmitted bits per constellation symbol (for PLP $i$ )
$I_{TR}$	Vector containing ones at positions corresponding to reserved carriers and zeros elsewhere
$a_{m,l,p}$	Frequency-Interleaved cell value, cell index $p$ of symbol $l$ of T2-frame $m$
$A_{CP}$	Amplitude of the continual pilot cells
$A_{P2}$	Amplitude of the P2 pilot cells
$A_{SP}$	Amplitude of the scattered pilot cells
$b_{\text{BS},j}$	Bit $j$ of the BB scrambling sequence
$b_{e,d_o}$	Output bit of index $d_o$ from substream $e$ from the bit-to-sub-stream demultiplexer
$c(x)$	BCH codeword polynomial
$C/N$	Carrier-to-noise power ratio
$C/N+I$	Carrier-to-(Noise+Interference) ratio
$C_{\text{bal}}(m)$	Value to which bias balancing cells are set for T2-frame $m$
$C'_{\text{bal}}(m)$	Desired value for the bias balancing cells in T2-frame $m$ to approximately balance the bias
$C_{\text{bias}}(m)$	Bias in coded and modulated L1 signalling for T2-frame $m$ before applying the L1-ACE algorithm
$C_{\text{bias\_L1\_ACE}}(m)$	Value of $C_{\text{bias}}(m)$ after being reduced by the correction to be applied by the bias balancing cells
$C'_{\text{bias}}(m)$	Residual bias in the modulated cells of the L1 signalling for T2-frame $m$ after correction by the L1-ACE algorithm
$C_{\text{data}}$	Number of active cells in one normal symbol
$C_{\text{FC}}$	Number of active cells in one frame closing symbol
$C_{\text{im}}(m)$	Imaginary part of $C_{\text{bias}}(m)$
$C_{\text{L1\_ACE\_MAX}}$	Maximum correction applied by L1-ACE algorithm
$c_{m,l,k}$	Cell value for carrier $k$ of symbol $l$ of T2-frame $m$
$C_{P2}$	Number of active cells in one P2 symbol