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Technologies de l'information — Disque DVD réenregistrable de 120 mm (8,54 Go par face) et 80 mm (2,66 Go par face) pour double couche (DVD-RW pour DL)

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Foreword

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Introduction

Ecma Technical Committee TC31 was established in 1984 for the standardization of Optical Disks and Optical Disk Cartridges (ODC). Since its establishment, the Committee has made major contributions to ISO/IEC JTC 1/SC 23 toward the development of International Standards for optical disks. Numerous standards have been developed by TC31 and published by Ecma, almost all of which have also been adopted by ISO/IEC under the fast-track procedure as International Standards. The following Ecma Standards for DVD 120 mm and 80 mm have been published by Ecma and adopted by ISO/IEC JTC 1. Those standards are based on original specifications from The DVD Forum.

ISO/IEC 16448	Information technology — 120 mm DVD — Read-only disk
ISO/IEC 16449	Information technology — 80 mm DVD — Read-only disk
ISO/IEC 16824	Information technology — 120 mm DVD rewritable disk (DVD-RAM)
ISO/IEC 16825	Information technology — Case for 120 mm DVD-RAM disks
ISO/IEC 17342	Information technology — 80 mm (1,46 Gbytes per side) and 120 mm (4,70 Gbytes per side) DVD re-recordable disk (DVD-RW)
ISO/IEC 17592	Information technology — 120 mm (4,7 Gbytes per side) and 80 mm (1,46 Gbytes per side) DVD rewritable disk (DVD-RAM)
ISO/IEC 17594	Information technology — Cases for 120 mm and 80 mm DVD-RAM disks
ISO/IEC 20563	Information technology — 80 mm (1,23 Gbytes per side) and 120 mm (3,95 Gbytes per side) DVD-recordable disk (DVD-R)
ISO/IEC 23912	Information technology — 80 mm (1,46 Gbytes per side) and 120 mm (4,70 Gbytes per side) DVD Recordable Disk (DVD-R)

In April 2007, nine members proposed that TC31 develop a standard for 120 mm and 80 mm dual layer DVD re-recordable optical disks using Phase Change recording technology. TC31 adopted this project, which has resulted in this International Standard.

This International Standard specifies two Types of dual layer re-recordable optical disks: one (Type 1S) making use of recording on only a single side of the disk and yielding a nominal capacity of 8,54 Gbytes for a 120 mm disk and 2,66 Gbytes for an 80 mm disk, the other (Type 2S) making use of recording on both sides of the disk and yielding a nominal capacity of 17,08 Gbytes for a 120 mm disk and 5,32 Gbytes for an 80 mm disk.

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1 Scope

This International Standard specifies the mechanical, physical and optical characteristics of a 120 mm and an 80 mm dual layer DVD re-recordable disk to enable the interchange of such disks. It specifies the quality of the embossed, unrecorded and the recorded signals, the format of the data, the format of the information zone, the format of the unrecorded zone, and the recording method, thereby allowing for information interchange by means of such disks. This disk is identified as a DVD re-recordable disk for dual layer (DVD-RW for DL).

This International Standard specifies:

- 120 mm and 80 mm nominal diameter disks that may be either single or double sided;
- the conditions for conformance;
- the environments in which the disk is to be operated and stored;
- the mechanical and physical characteristics of the disk, so as to provide mechanical interchange between data processing systems;
- the format of the embossed information on an unrecorded disk, including the physical disposition of the tracks and sectors, the error correcting codes and the coding method used;
- the format of the data and the recorded information on the disk, including the physical disposition of the tracks and sectors, the error correcting codes and the coding method used;
- the characteristics of the signals from embossed and unrecorded areas on the disk, enabling data processing systems to read the embossed information and to write to the disks;
- the characteristics of the signals recorded on the disk, enabling data processing systems to read the data from the disk.

This International Standard provides for interchange of disks between disk drives. Together with a standard for volume and file structure, it provides for full data interchange between data processing systems.

2 Conformance

2.1 Optical Disk

A claim of conformance shall specify the type of the disk, i.e. its size and whether it is single-sided or double sided. An optical disk shall be in conformance with this International Standard if it meets the mandatory requirements specified for this type.

2.2 Generating system

A generating system shall be in conformance with this International Standard if the optical disk it generates is in accordance with 2.1.

2.3 Receiving system

A receiving system shall be in conformance with this International Standard if it is able to handle an optical disk according to 2.1.

3 Normative references

The following referenced documents are indispensable for the application of this document. For dated references, only the edition cited applies. For undated references, the latest edition of the referenced document (including any amendments) applies.

ISO 8859-1, -2, -3 and -4, *Information technology — 8-bit single-byte coded graphic character sets — Part 1: Latin alphabet No. 1*

ECMA-287, *Safety of electronic equipment* — 2nd edition (December 2002)

4 Terms and definitions

For the purposes of this document, the following terms and definitions apply.

4.1
basic recording speed
recording speed at which a disk is under an obligation to be recorded

NOTE A Basic recording speed is mandatory for each Class.

4.2
block SYNC guard area
recorded area in the first ECC block of the contiguous area of which recording is started from the unrecorded area by using 32K-Link

4.3
channel bit
elements by which, after modulation, the binary values ZERO and ONE are represented on the disk by marks

4.4
clamping zone
annular part of the disk within which a clamping force is applied by a clamping device

4.5
class
integer number, including 0, that indicates Basic recording speed supported by a disk

NOTE A group of recording speeds in a disk must contain at least one Basic recording speed which is mandatory for recording device and disk.

4.6
data zone
zone between the Lead-in Zone and the Middle Zone on Layer 0 and zone between the Middle Zone and the Lead-out Zone on Layer 1, in which user data is recorded

4.7
data recordable zone
zone that is available to record user data

4.8
Digital Sum Value
DSV
arithmetic sum obtained from a bit stream by allocating the decimal value 1 to bits set to ONE and the decimal value –1 to bits set to Zero

4.9
disk reference plane
plane defined by the perfectly flat annular surface of an ideal spindle onto which the Clamping Zone of the disk is clamped, and which is normal to the axis of rotation

4.10
Disk Testing Area
DTA
area used for Optimum Power Control

NOTE 1 There are two kinds of the Disk Testing Area on a disk. Inner Disk Testing Area (IDTA) is located in the R-Information Zone and situated adjacent to the inside of the Recording Management Area. Outer Disk Testing Area (ODTA) is fixed and situated adjacent to the outside of the fixed Middle Zone.

NOTE 2 The optional IDTA can be located on Layer 1 facing the special allocation in the Initial zone on Layer 0 as an option for devices, when NBCA is not applied on a disk.

4.11
ECC Block address
absolute physical address used to define the recording position on the land of each area

NOTE 1 This address is pre-recorded as Land Pre-Pits and equal to the bit-inverted numbers from b23 to b4 of the Physical sector number recorded in the groove. Serially decremented numbers are assigned to blocks from the inner radius to the outer radius on Layer 0 and from the outer radius to the inner radius on Layer 1. The first ECC Block address in the Data Recordable Zone on Layer 0 is (FFCFFF). The bit-inverted number is calculated so that the bit value of one becomes that of zero and vice versa.

NOTE 2 The "ECC Block address" definition is specific to this Standard.

4.12
Error Correction Code
ECC
mathematical computation yielding check bytes used for the detection and correction of errors in data

4.13
Error Detection Code
EDC
code designed to detect certain kinds of errors in data

NOTE Error Detection Code consists of data and the error detection parity.

4.14
finalization
action for changing into the state where the Lead-in, the Lead-out and the Middle Zones are recorded

NOTE After Finalization, the information Zone from the Lead-in Zone to the Middle Zone on Layer 0 and from the Middle Zone to the Lead-out Zone on Layer 1 shall be recorded without any unrecorded areas.

4.15
groove
wobbled guidance track

4.16
information zone
zone comprising the Lead-in Zone, the Data Zone, the Middle Zone and the Lead-out Zone

4.17
initial information zone
zone comprising the Lead-in Zone, the Data Recordable Zone, the fixed Middle Zone and the Lead-out Zone

4.18
land
area between the grooves

4.19
Land Pre-Pit
LPP
pits embossed on the land during the manufacture of the disk substrate, which contain address information

4.20
Layer jump address
address on Layer 0 that causes layer jump to Layer 1

NOTE The end sector number of the Data area on Layer 0 and the address that is located immediately before the shifted Middle area are also Layer jump addresses.

4.21
lead-in zone
zone comprising Physical sectors adjacent to the inside of the Data Zone on Layer 0

4.22
lead-out zone
zone comprising Physical sectors adjacent to the inside of the Data Zone on Layer 1

NOTE When the recording of user data is finished on Layer 0, the Lead-out Zone is located adjacent to the inside of the Middle Zone on Layer 1.

4.23
middle zone
zone comprising physical sectors adjacent to the outside of the Data Zone on Layer 0 and Layer 1 respectively

NOTE 1 The fixed Middle Zone is located outside of Data Recordable Zone of a disk.

NOTE 2 The shifted Middle Zone can be added at the inner radius than the fixed Middle Zone as an option for devices, depending on the size of the Data Zone and located outside of the Data Zone.

4.24
Recording Management Area
RMA
area containing the Recording Management Data (RMD), situated adjacent to the inside of the Lead-in Zone on Layer 0 and the Lead-out Zone on Layer 1 respectively

4.25
Recording Management Data
RMD
information about the recording on the disk, including information for recordings

NOTE Two kinds of RMD format are specified. Format2 RMD contains the information of Pionter to indicate the valid Format3 RMD Set in the RMA segment. Format3 RMD contains the information related to Restricted Overwrite recording mode including Layer jump recording mode.

4.26
restricted overwrite
recording mode in which recording the ECC block(s) onto any portion of recorded ECC block(s) or concatenating the ECC block(s) to the most outer recorded ECC block(s) with the Linking scheme

4.27
r-information zone
zone comprising the Inner Disk Testing Area (IDTA) and the Recording Management Area (RMA)

4.28
rzone
ECC blocks that are continuous on a layer and assigned to user data on Layer 0 and/or Layer 1 during recording

4.29
sector
smallest addressable part of a track in the information zone of a disk that can be accessed independently of other addressable parts

4.30
substrate
transparent layer of the disk, provided for mechanical support of the recording or recorded layer, through which the optical beam accesses the recordable / recorded layer

4.31
track
360° turn of a continuous spiral of recorded marks or groove

4.32
track pitch
distance between adjacent average physical track centrelines of the wobbled grooves for the unrecorded disk, or between adjacent physical track centrelines of the successive recorded marks for the recorded disk, measured in the radial direction

4.33
zone
annular area of the disk

5 Conventions and notations

5.1 Representation of numbers

A measured value is rounded off to the least significant digit of the corresponding specified value. For instance, it implies that a specified value of 1,26 with a positive tolerance of + 0,01 and a negative tolerance of - 0,02 allows a range of measured values from 1,235 to 1,275.

Numbers in decimal notations are represented by the digits 0 to 9.

Numbers in hexadecimal notation are represented by the hexadecimal digits 0 to 9 and A to F in parentheses.

The setting of bits is denoted by ZERO and ONE.

Numbers in binary notations and bit patterns are represented by strings of digits 0 and 1, with the most significant bit shown to the left.

Negative values of numbers in binary notation are given as Two's complement.

In each field the data is recorded so that the most significant byte (MSB), identified as Byte 0, is recorded first and the least significant byte (LSB) last. In a field of 8*n* bits, bit $b_{(8n-1)}$ shall be the most significant bit (msb) and bit b_0 the least significant bit (lsb). Bit $b_{(8n-1)}$ is recorded first.

5.2 Names

The names of entities, e.g. specific tracks, fields, areas, zones, etc. are given a capital initial.

6 Acronyms

AP	Amplitude of the land Pre-Pit signal (without wobble amplitude)
AR	Aperture Ratio (of the Land Pre-Pit after recording)
BP	Byte Position
BPF	Band Pass Filter
CLV	Constant Linear Velocity
CNR	Carrier to Noise Ratio
DCC	DC Component suppress control
DSV	Digital Sum Value
ECC	Error Correction Code
EDC	Error Detection Code
HF	High Frequency
ID	Identification Data
LA	Lead-out Attribute
IDTA	Inner Disk Testing Area
IED	ID Error Detection (code)
LPF	Low-Pass Filter
LPP	Land Pre-Pit
LSB	Least Significant Byte
lsb	least significant bit
MSB	Most Significant Byte
msb	most significant bit
NBCA	Narrow Burst Cutting Area
NRZI	Non Return to Zero Inverted
ODTA	Outer Disk Testing Area

OPC	Optimum Power Control
OTP	Opposite Track Path
PBS	Polarizing Beam Splitter
PI	Parity (of the) Inner (code)
PLL	Phase Locked Loop
PO	Parity (of the) Outer (code)
PSN	Physical Sector Number
PTP	Parallel Track Path
PUH	Pick-Up Head
RBP	Relative Byte Position
RBW	Resolution Bandwidth
RESYNC	Re-Synchronization
RMA	Recording Management Area
RMD	Recording Management Data
RS	Reed-Solomon (code)
SYNC	Synchronization

7 General description of a disk

The 120 mm and 80 mm optical disks that are the subject of this International Standard consist of two substrates bonded together by an adhesive layer, so that the recording layers are on the inside. The centring of the disk is performed on the edge of the centre hole of the assembled disk on the side currently read. Clamping is performed in the Clamping Zone. The DVD Re-recordable Disk for Dual Layer (DVD-RW for DL) may be either double-sided or single-sided with respect to the number of recording layers. A double-sided disk has the recording layers on the inside of each substrate. A single-sided disk has one substrate with the recording layers on the inside and a dummy substrate without a recording layer. A recorded disk provides for the data to be read many times by an optical beam of a drive. Figure 1 shows schematically a double-sided (Type 2S) and a single-sided (Type 1S) disk.

Type 1S consists of a substrate, two recording layers with a space layer between them, an adhesive layer, and a dummy substrate. Both recording layers can be accessed from one side only. The nominal capacity is 8,54 Gbytes for a 120 mm disk and 2,66 Gbytes for an 80 mm disk.

Type 2S consists of two substrates, each having two recording layers with a space layer between them, and an adhesive layer. From one side of the disk only one pair of recording layers can be accessed. The nominal total capacity is 17,08 Gbytes for a 120 mm disk and 5,32 Gbytes for an 80 mm disk.