
**Space data and information transfer
systems — The data description
language EAST specification**

*Systèmes de transfert des informations et données spatiales —
Spécification du langage de description de données EAST*

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1 Scope

This International Standard defines the Enhanced Ada Subset (EAST) language used to create descriptions of data called Data Description Records (DDR). Such DDRs ensure a complete and exact understanding of the data and allow it to be interpreted in an automated fashion. This means that a software tool is able to analyse a DDR and interpret the format of the associated data. This allows the software to extract values from the data on any host machine (i.e. on a different machine from the one that produced the data).

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2 Requirements

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