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# Information technology — General video coding —

# Part 1:

# **Essential video coding**

# Scope

This document specifies a video coding technology known as essential video coding (EVC), which contains syntax format, semantics and an associated decoding process. The decoding process is designed to guarantee that all EVC decoders conform to a specified combination of capabilities known as the profile, level and toolset. Any decoding process that produces identical cropped decoded output pictures to those produced by the described process is considered to be in conformance with the requirements of this document.

This document is designed to cover a wide range of application, including but not limited to digital storage media, television broadcasting and real-time communications.

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ISO 11664-1, Colorimetry — Part 1: CIE standard colorimetric observers

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#### 3.1

#### access unit

set of NAL units (3.53) that are associated with each other according to a specified classification rule, are consecutive in decoding order (3.28), and contain exactly one coded picture (3.16)

# 3.2

# adaptive loop filter

## **ALF**

filtering process that is applied as part of the decoding process (3.29) and is controlled by parameters (3.58) conveyed in an APS (3.4)

### 3.3

### **ALF APS**

APS (3.4) that controls the ALF (3.2) process

#### 3.4

# adaptation parameter set

#### **APS**

*syntax structure* (3.87) containing *syntax elements* (3.86) that apply to zero or more *slices* (3.81) or *pictures* (3.60) as determined by zero or more *syntax elements* (3.86) found in *slice headers* (3.82)

# 3.5

# bi-predictive slice

# **B** slice

slice (3.81) that is decoded using *intra prediction* (3.43) or using *inter prediction* (3.40) with at most two *motion vectors* (3.52) and *reference indices* (3.74) to predict the sample values of each *block* (3.11)

#### 3.6

# bin

one bit of a bin string (3.7)

#### 3.7

### bin string

intermediate binary representation of values of *syntax elements* (3.86) from the *binarization* (3.8) of the *syntax element* (3.86)

# 3.8

3.9

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# binarization

set of bin strings (3.7) for all possible values of a syntax element (3.86)

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# binarization process

unique mapping process of all possible values of a *syntax elements* (3.86) from the *binarization* (3.8) of the *syntax element* (3.86)

# 3.10

### bitstream

sequence of bits, in the form of a *NAL unit stream* (3.54) or a *raw bitstream* (3.71), that forms the representation of *coded pictures* (3.16) and associated data forming one or more *coded video sequences* (3.19)

# 3.11

#### block

MxN (M-column by N-row) array of samples, or an MxN array of transform coefficients (3.93)

# 3.12

# buffering period

set of *access units* (3.1) starting with an *access unit* (3.1) that contains a buffering period suplemental enhancement information (SEI) message and containing all subsequent *access units* (3.1) in *decoding order* (3.28) up to but not including the next *access unit* (3.1) (when present) that contains a buffering period SEI message

# 3.13

# **b**vte

sequence of 8 bits, within which, when written or read as a sequence of bit values, the left-most and right-most bits represent the most and least significant bits, respectively

# byte-aligned

position in a bitstream (3.10) where the position is an integer multiple of 8 bits from the position of the first bit in the *bitstream* (3.10)

Note 1 to entry: A bit or byte (3.13) or syntax element (3.86) is said to be byte-aligned when the position at which it appears in a bitstream (3.10) is byte-aligned.

# 3.15

#### chroma

sample array or single sample representing one of the two colour difference signals related to the primary colours, represented by the symbols Cb and Cr

Note 1 to entry: The term chroma is used rather than the term chrominance in order to avoid the implication of the use of linear light transfer characteristics that are often associated with the term chrominance.

#### 3.16

# coded picture

coded representation (3.18) of a picture (3.60) containing all CTUs (3.22) of the picture (3.60)

#### 3.17

# coded picture buffer

# **CPB**

first-in first-out buffer containing access units (3.1) in decoding order (3.28)

Note 1 to entry: Specified in the hypothetical reference decoder (3.36) in Annex C.

# 3.18

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**coded representation**//standards.iteh.ai/catalog/standards/sist/f0759686-abc2-49bc-a982-data element as represented in its coded form iso-iec-23094-1-2020

### 3.19

# coded video sequence

sequence of access units (3.1) that consists, in decoding order (3.28), of an IDR access unit (3.38), followed by zero or more access units (3.1) that are not IDR access units (3.38), including all subsequent access units (3.1) up to but not including any subsequent access unit (3.1) that is an IDR access unit (3.38)

# 3.20

# coding block

# $\mathbf{CB}$

MxN block (3.11) of samples for some values of M and N such that the division of a CTB (3.21) into coding blocks is a partitioning (3.59)

#### 3.21

# coding tree block

#### **CTB**

NxN block (3.11) of samples for some value of N such that the division of a component (3.24) into coding tree blocks is a partitioning (3.59)

#### 3.22

# coding tree unit

# **CTU**

CTB (3.21) of luma (3.51) samples, two corresponding CTBs (3.21) of chroma (3.15) samples of a picture (3.60) that has three sample arrays, or a CTB of samples of a monochrome picture (3.60) or a picture

(3.60) that is coded using three separate colour planes and *syntax structures* (3.87) used to code the samples

# 3.23

# coding unit

CU

coding block (3.20) of luma (3.51) samples, two corresponding coding blocks (3.20) of chroma (3.15) samples of a picture (3.60) that has three sample arrays, or a coding block (3.20) of samples of a monochrome picture (3.60) or a picture (3.60) that is coded using three separate colour planes and syntax structures (3.87) used to code the samples

#### 3.24

## component

array or single sample from one of the three arrays (*luma* (3.51) and two *chroma* (3.15)) that compose a *picture* (3.60) in 4:2:0, 4:2:2, or 4:4:4 colour format or the array or a single sample of the array that compose a *picture* (3.60) in monochrome format

# 3.25

# decoded picture

derived by decoding a coded picture (3.16)

#### 3.26

# decoded picture buffer

**DPB** 

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buffer holding decoded pictures (3.25) for reference, output reordering, or output delay

Note 1 to entry: Specified for the hypothetical reference decoder (3.36) in Annex C.

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embodiment of a decoding process (3.29)

# 3.28

# decoding order

order in which syntax elements (3.86) are processed by the decoding process (3.29)

# 3.29

#### decoding process

process specified that reads a bitstream (3.10) and derives decoded pictures (3.25) from it

# 3.30

# dynamic range adjustment

#### **DRA**

mapping process that is applied to *decoded picture* (3.25) prior to cropping and output as part of the *decoding process* (3.29) and is controlled by parameters conveyed in an *APS* (3.4)

# 3.31

# **DRA APS**

APS (3.4) that controls the DRA (3.30) process

#### decoder under test

#### DUT

decoder (3.27) that is tested for conformance to this document

Note 1 to entry: A *decoder* (3.27) is tested by operating the *hypothetical stream scheduler* (3.37) to deliver a conforming *bitstream* (3.10) to the *decoder* (3.27) and to the *hypothetical reference decoder* (3.36) and comparing the values and timing of the output of the two *decoders* (3.27).

#### 3.33

# encoder

embodiment of an encoding process (3.34)

### 3.34

# encoding process

process that produces a bitstream (3.10) conforming to this document

#### 3.35

# flag

variable or single-bit syntax element (3.86) that can take one of the two possible values: 0 and 1

#### 3.36

# hypothetical reference decoder

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hypothetical *decoder* (3.27) model that specifies constraints on the variability of conforming *NAL unit streams* (3.54) or conforming *raw bitstreams* (3.10) produced by an encoding process

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hypothetical stream scheduler teh.ai/catalog/standards/sist/f0759686-abc2-49bc-a982-

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hypothetical delivery mechanism for the timing and data flow of the input of a *bitstream* (3.10) into the *hypothetical reference decoder* (3.36)

Note 1 to entry: The HSS is used for checking the conformance of a bitstream (3.10) or a decoder (3.36).

# 3.38

# **IDR** access unit

access unit in which the coded picture is an IDR picture

#### 3.39

# **IDR** picture

coded picture (3.16) for which each VCL NAL unit (3.96) has NalUnitType equal to IDR\_NUT

# 3.40

# inter prediction

prediction (3.63) derived in a manner that is dependent on data elements (e.g., sample values or motion vectors) of one or more reference pictures (3.75)

Note 1 to entry: A prediction (3.63) from a reference picture (3.75) that is the current picture (3.60) itself is also interprediction.

# intra block copy

# **IBC**

prediction (3.63) derived in a manner that is dependent on data elements (e.g., sample values or block vectors) of the same decoded *slice* (3.81) without referring to a *reference picture* (3.75)

#### 3.42

# intra coding

coding of a coding block (3.20), slice (3.81), or picture (3.60) that uses intra prediction (3.43)

### 3.43

# intra prediction

*prediction* (3.63) derived from only data elements (e.g., sample values) of the same decoded *slice* (3.81) without referring to a *reference picture* (3.75)

#### 3.44

# intra slice

#### I slice

slice (3.81) that is decoded using intra prediction (3.43) only

# 3.45

#### level

defined set of constraints on the values that may be taken by the *syntax elements* (3.86) and variables of this document, or the value of a *transform coefficient* (3.93) prior to scaling

Note 1 to entry: The same set of levels is defined for all *profiles* (3.67), with most aspects of the definition of each level being in common across different *profiles* (3.67). Individual implementations can, within the specified constraints, support a different level for each supported *profile* (3.67)<sub>2.0</sub>

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# 3.46

### list 0 motion vector

motion vector (3.52) associated with a reference index (3.74) pointing into a reference picture list 0 (3.77)

# 3.47

# list 0 prediction

inter prediction (3.40) of the content of a slice (3.81) using a reference index (3.74) pointing into a reference picture list 0 (3.77)

#### 3.48

#### list 1 motion vector

motion vector (3.52) associated with a reference index (3.74) pointing into a reference picture list 1 (3.78)

# 3.49

# list 1 prediction

inter prediction (3.40) of the content of a slice (3.81) using a reference index (3.74) pointing into a reference picture list 1(3.78)

# 3.50

# long-term reference picture

#### LTRP

picture (3.60) that is marked as "used for long-term reference"

#### luma

sample array or single sample is representing the monochrome signal related to the primary colours, represented by the symbol or subscript Y or L

Note 1 to entry: The term luma is used rather than the term luminance in order to avoid the implication of the use of linear light transfer characteristics that are often associated with the term luminance. The symbol L is sometimes used instead of the symbol Y to avoid confusion with the symbol y as used for vertical location.

#### 3.52

# motion vector

two-dimensional vector used for *inter prediction* (3.40) that provides an offset from the coordinates in the *decoded picture* (3.25) to the coordinates in a *reference picture* (3.75)

#### 3.53

#### **NAL** unit

*syntax structure* (3.87) containing an indication of the type of data to follow and *bytes* (3.13) containing that data in the form of an *RBSP* (3.72) interspersed as necessary

#### 3.54

#### **NAL** unit stream

sequence of NAL units (3.53)

#### 3.55

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# non-IDR picture

coded picture (3.16) that is not an IDR picture (3.39) iteh.ai)

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non-VCL NAL unit https://standards.iteh.ai/catalog/standards/sist/f0759686-abc2-49bc-a982-NAL unit (3.53) that is not a VCL NAL unit (3.96)-iec-23094-1-2020

# 3.57

### output order

order in which the *decoded pictures* (3.25) are output from the *decoded picture buffer* (3.26) [for the *decoded pictures* (3.25) that are to be output from the *decoded picture buffer* (3.26)]

#### 3.58

#### parameter

syntax element (3.86) of an SPS (3.79), PPS (3.61) or APS (3.4)

# 3.59

# partitioning

division of a set into subsets such that each element of the set is in exactly one of the subsets

# 3.60

#### picture

array of *luma* (3.51) samples in monochrome format or an array of *luma* (3.51) samples and two corresponding arrays of *chroma* (3.15) samples in 4:2:0, 4:2:2, and 4:4:4 colour format

Note 1 to entry: A picture can be either a frame or a field. However, in one *CVS* (3.19), either all pictures are frames or all pictures are fields.