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## Introduction

### History

TPEG technology was originally proposed by the European Broadcasting Union (EBU) Broadcast Management Committee, who established the B/TPEG project group in the autumn of 1997 with a brief to develop, as soon as possible, a new protocol for broadcasting traffic and travel-related information in the multimedia environment. TPEG technology, its applications and service features were designed to enable travel-related messages to be coded, decoded, filtered and understood by humans (visually and/or audibly in the user's language) and by agent systems. Originally, a byte-oriented data stream format, which may be carried on almost any digital bearer with an appropriate adaptation layer, was developed. Hierarchically structured TPEG messages from service providers to end-users were designed to transfer information from the service provider database to an end-user's equipment.

One year later, in December 1998, the B/TPEG group produced its first EBU specifications. Two documents were released. Part 2 (TPEG-SSF, which became ISO/TS 18234-2) described the syntax, semantics and framing structure, which was used for all TPEG applications. Meanwhile, Part 4 (TPEG-RTM, which became ISO/TS 18234-4) described the first application for road traffic messages.

Subsequently, in March 1999, CEN/TC 278, in conjunction with ISO/TC 204, established a group comprising members of the former EBU B/TPEG and this working group continued development work. Further parts were developed to make the initial set of four parts, enabling the implementation of a consistent service. Part 3 (TPEG-SNI, ISO/TS 18234-3) described the service and network information application used by all service implementations to ensure appropriate referencing from one service source to another.

Part 1 (TPEG-INV, ISO/TS 18234-1) completed the series by describing the other parts and their relationship; it also contained the application IDs used within the other parts. Additionally, Part 5, the public transport information application (TPEG-PTI, ISO/TS 18234-5), was developed. The so-called TPEG-LOC location referencing method, which enabled both map-based TPEG-decoders and non-map-based ones to deliver either map-based location referencing or human readable text information, was issued as ISO/TS 18234-6 to be used in association with the other applications parts of the ISO/TS 18234 series to provide location referencing.

The ISO/TS 18234 series has become known as TPEG Generation 1.

### TPEG Generation 2

When the Traveller Information Services Association (TISA), derived from former forums, was inaugurated in December 2007, TPEG development was taken over by TISA and continued in the TPEG applications working group.

It was about this time that the (then) new Unified Modelling Language (UML) was seen as having major advantages for the development of new TPEG applications in communities who would not necessarily have binary physical format skills required to extend the original TPEG TS work. It was also realized that the XML format for TPEG described within the ISO/TS 24530 series (now superseded) had a greater significance than previously foreseen, especially in the content-generation segment and that keeping two physical formats in synchronism, in different standards series, would be rather difficult.

As a result, TISA set about the development of a new TPEG structure that would be UML based. This has subsequently become known as TPEG Generation 2.

TPEG2 is embodied in the ISO/TS 21219 series and it comprises many parts that cover introduction, rules, toolkit and application components. TPEG2 is built around UML modelling and has a core of rules that contain the modelling strategy covered in ISO/TS 21219-2, ISO/TS 21219-3 and ISO/TS 21219-4 and the conversion to two current physical formats: binary and XML; others could be added in the future. TISA uses an automated tool to convert from the agreed UML model XMI file directly into an MS Word document file, to minimize drafting errors, that forms the annex for each physical format.

TPEG2 has a three container conceptual structure: message management (ISO/TS 21219-6), application (several parts) and location referencing (ISO/TS 21219-7). This structure has flexible capability and can accommodate many differing use cases that have been proposed within the TTI sector and wider for hierarchical message content.

TPEG2 also has many location referencing options as required by the service provider community, any of which may be delivered by vectoring data included in the location referencing container.

The following classification provides a helpful grouping of the different TPEG2 parts according to their intended purpose.

- Toolkit parts: TPEG2-INV (ISO/TS 21219-1), TPEG2-UML (ISO/TS 21219-2), TPEG2-UBCR (ISO/TS 21219-3), TPEG2-UXCR (ISO/TS 21219-4), TPEG2-SFW (ISO/TS 21219-5), TPEG2-MMC (ISO/TS 21219-6), TPEG2-LRC (ISO/TS 21219-7), TPEG2-LTE (ISO/TS 21219-24).
- Special applications: TPEG2-SNI (ISO/TS 21219-9), TPEG2-CAI (ISO/TS 21219-10).
- Location referencing: TPEG2-ULR (ISO/TS 21219-11<sup>1)</sup>), TPEG2-GLR (ISO/TS 21219-21<sup>1)</sup>), TPEG2-OLR (ISO/TS 21219-22).
- Applications: TPEG2-PKI (ISO/TS 21219-14), TPEG2-TEC (ISO/TS 21219-15), TPEG2-FPI (ISO/TS 21219-16), TPEG2-TFP (ISO/TS 21219-18), TPEG2-WEA (ISO/TS 21219-19), TPEG2-RMR (ISO/TS 21219-23), TPEG2-EMI (ISO/TS 21219-25).

TPEG2 has been developed to be broadly (but not totally) backward compatible with TPEG1 to assist in transitions from earlier implementations, while not hindering the TPEG2 innovative approach and being able to support many new features, such as dealing with applications having both long-term, unchanging content and highly dynamic content, such as parking information.

This document is based on the TISA specification technical/editorial version reference: SP14006/1.0/002.

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## Part 22:

## OpenLR location referencing (TPEG2-OLR)

### 1 Scope

This document specifies the logical data format of OpenLR™ location references and general requirements of the method in [Clause 6](#) and defines the structure of the TPEG toolkit for OpenLR location referencing (OLR) in [Clauses 7, 8 and 9](#). The toolkit is intended to be used in the TPEG location referencing container (TPEG-LRC).

OpenLR™ has been designed for the use case of transferring traffic information from a centre to in-vehicle systems, built-in or used as an add-on (PND, smart phone). The information transferred can consist of the current traffic situation at a certain location, a traffic forecast or special alerts. The corresponding locations are roads, a list of connected roads, points of interest, or areas.

In order to transmit location information from a sending to a receiving side, the OpenLR™ method defines rules for generating map-independent location references, that is, the actual location references are generated dynamically not requiring use of pre-defined location references.

### 2 Normative references

The following documents are referred to in the text in such a way that some or all of their content constitutes requirements 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/TS 21219-1, *Intelligent transport systems — Traffic and travel information (TTI) via transport protocol experts group, generation 2 (TPEG2) — Part 1: Introduction, numbering and versions (TPEG2-INV)*

### 3 Terms and definitions

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

ISO and IEC maintain terminological databases for use in standardization at the following addresses:

- IEC Electropedia: available at <http://www.electropedia.org/>
- ISO Online browsing platform: available at <http://www.iso.org/obp>

#### 3.1

##### area

two-dimensional part of the surface of the earth which is bounded by a closed curve

Note 1 to entry: An area may cover parts of the road network, covering several roads or parts of roads.

#### 3.2

##### decoder

software component which decodes a location code and finds the corresponding location back in a map

### 3.3

#### **encoder**

software component which generates a location code for a location in a map

### 3.4

#### **intermediate/intermediate location reference point**

internal location reference point (LRP) which is neither the start LRP nor the end LRP

### 3.5

#### **line**

one-dimensional representation of a road or part of road in a road network

Note 1 to entry: A line starts and ends at a node. It is directed. This means two-way traffic flows are represented by two (directed) lines, one per direction.

### 3.6

#### **location**

specification of the position on the earth surface of an object in a digital map

### 3.7

#### **location reference**

location code, created according to a specific set of rules, used to reference a location

### 3.8

#### **location reference path**

route in a road network in a digital map which is referenced by the location reference

Note 1 to entry: This path might be longer than the location itself.

### 3.9

#### **location reference point**

point representing a real-world point location

Note 1 to entry: Besides the position or line information, additional data may be used to further specify the character of a location.

### 3.10

#### **map**

geospatial representation of an area on the earth surface

### 3.11

#### **node**

zero-dimensional object in the road network acting as start and end for lines

### 3.12

#### **offset**

specification of a position along a referenced path to indicate the start or the end of a location

### 3.13

#### **orientation**

describes the relationship between a point of interest and the direction of a referenced line

Note 1 to entry: The point may be directed in the same direction as the line, against that direction, in both directions, or the direction of the point might be unknown.

### 3.14

#### **point**

zero-dimensional element that specifies a spatial location by a coordinate pair

**3.15****route**

collection of line objects in a digital map connecting a departure location and a destination location, defined according to certain criteria which might include time distance or cost

**3.16****side of road**

relationship between a point of interest and a referenced line

Note 1 to entry: The point can be on the right side of the reference line, on the left side of the reference line, on both sides of the reference line or directly on the reference line, in the position direction of the reference line.

**4 Abbreviated terms**

ADD	against driving direction
BEAR	bearing
CEN	Comité Européen de Normalisation
COORD	coordinates
DESC	location description
DNP	distance to next point
FOW	form of way
FRC	functional road class
FUZ	fuzzy area
lat	latitude
LFR CNP	lowest functional road class to next point
lon	longitude
LRP	location reference point
LRC	location reference container
n.a.	not available
NCOLS	number of columns
NOFF	negative offset
NROWS	number of rows
ORI	orientation
POFF	positive offset
POI	point of interest
RAD	radius
SFW	TPEG service framework: modelling and conversion rules

SHP	shape
SOR	side of road
SRBL	side road bearing left
SRBR	side road bearing right
TISA	Traveller Information Services Association
TPEG	Transport Protocol Expert Group
TTI	traffic and travel information
UML	Unified Modelling Language
XML	eXtensible Markup Language

## 5 Toolkit specific constraints

### 5.1 Version number signalling

Version numbering is used to track the separate versions of a toolkit through its development and deployment. The differences between these versions may have an impact on client devices.

The version numbering principle is defined in ISO/TS 21219-1.

[Table 1](#) shows the current version numbers for signalling the OLR version in use within this toolkit's top level component (see [7.1](#)) and within TPEG-ML.

**Table 1 — Current version number for signalling of OLR**

Major version number	1-22:2017
Minor version number	0

### 5.2 Extension

Future toolkit extensions may insert new components without losing backward compatibility. That means an OLR decoder shall be able to detect and skip unknown components.

## 6 OLR structure

### 6.1 Location types

#### 6.1.1 Supported location types

OpenLR™ supports several types of locations. [Table 2](#) lists the supported types and also provides a link to the clause where the specific type is explained in detail.

**Table 2 — Supported location types**

Name	Category	Details
Linear location	Linear location	See <a href="#">6.1.2</a>
Geo-Coordinate	Point location	See <a href="#">6.1.3.2</a>
PointAlongLine	Point location	See <a href="#">6.1.3.3</a>

Table 2 (continued)

Name	Category	Details
PoiWithAccessPoint	Point location	See <a href="#">6.1.3.4</a>
Circle	Area location	See <a href="#">6.1.4.2</a>
Rectangle	Area location	See <a href="#">6.1.4.3</a>
Grid	Area location	See <a href="#">6.1.4.4</a>
Polygon	Area location	See <a href="#">6.1.4.5</a>
ClosedLinear	Area location	See <a href="#">6.1.4.6</a>

### 6.1.2 Linear locations

A linear location is a one-dimensional singular continuous path through a road network, from one start point location to one end point location. Offsets may be used to identify locations which do not start or end exactly at a network node.

NOTE Examples of linear locations are jams, (temporary) speed limits and (calculated) routes. [Figure 1](#) and [Figure 2](#) show different types of linear locations where the location is marked and the position of the offsets are shown as dots.

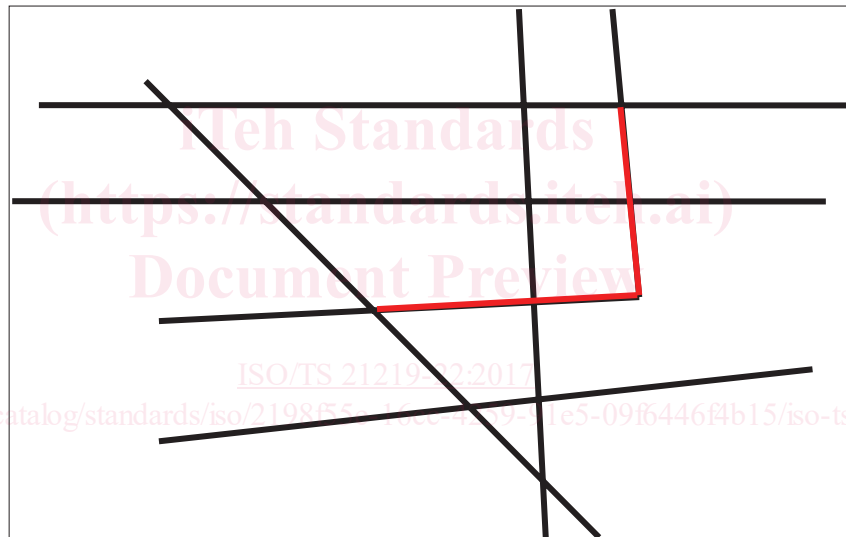


Figure 1 — Linear location without offsets

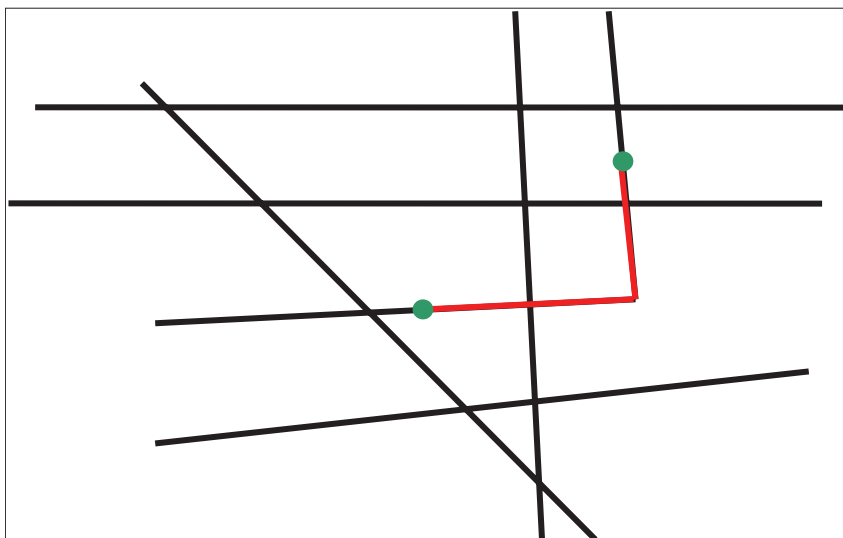


Figure 2 — Linear location with offsets

### 6.1.3 Point locations

#### 6.1.3.1 General

A point location is a zero-dimensional element that specifies a spatial location by a coordinate pair. One coordinate pair specifies the point location. The following clauses outline different point location types when seen in combination with a (road) network and their real-world examples. The types differ in how the coordinate pair is related to the (road) network.

#### 6.1.3.2 Geo-coordinate

A geo-coordinate pair is a position in a map defined by its longitude and latitude coordinate values. This type of point location may or may not be bound to the network and can be everywhere on the surface. [Figure 3](#) shows an example of such a point location (filled circle).

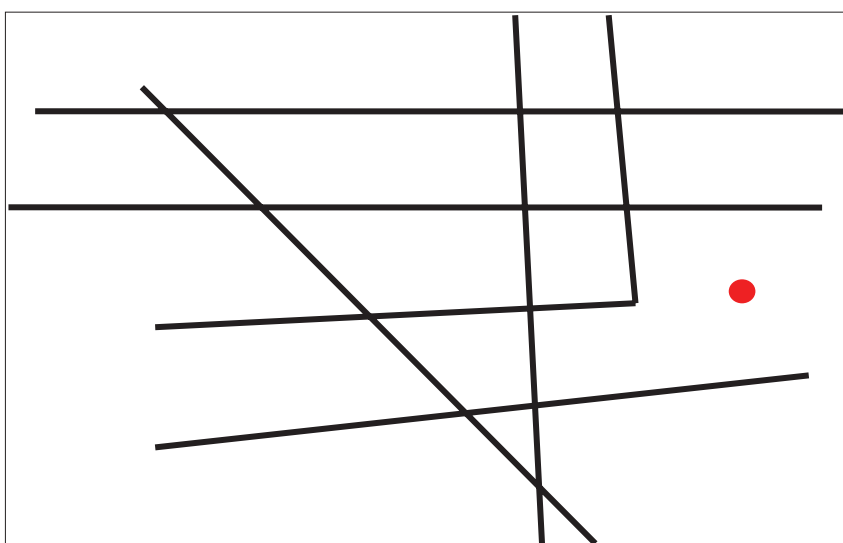


Figure 3 — Example — Geo-coordinate