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## Foreword

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- *Part 1: Binary MPEG format for XML*
- *Part 2: Fragment request units*
- *Part 3: XML IPMP messages*
- *Part 4: Codec configuration representation*
- *Part 5: Bitstream Syntax Description Language (BSDL)*
- *Part 7: Common encryption in ISO base media file format files*
- *Part 8: Coding-independent code points*
- *Part 9: Common encryption of MPEG-2 transport streams*
- *Part 10: Carriage of timed metadata metrics of media in ISO base media file format*
- *Part 11: Energy-efficient media consumption (green metadata)*

# Information technology — MPEG systems technologies —

## Part 8: Coding-independent code points

### 1 Scope

This part of ISO/IEC 23001 defines various code points and fields that establish properties of a video or audio stream that are independent of the compression encoding and bit rate. These properties may describe the appropriate interpretation of decoded video or audio data or may, similarly, describe the characteristics of such signals before the signal is compressed by an encoder that is suitable for compressing such an input signal.

### 2 Normative references

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

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

Rec. ITU-R BS.1770, *Algorithms to measure audio programme loudness and true-peak audio level*

Rec. ITU-R BS.1771-1, *Requirements for loudness and true-peak indicating meters*

EBU R 128, *Loudness normalization and permitted maximum level of audio signals*

EBU Tech 3341, *Loudness Metering: EBU mode metering to supplement loudness normalization in accordance with EBU R128*

EBU Tech 3342, *Loudness Range: A measure to supplement loudness normalisation in accordance with EBU R 128*

### 3 Terms, definitions, and abbreviated terms

#### 3.1 Terms and definitions

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

##### 3.1.1

##### **channel**

##### **Ch.**

conceptual representation of an audio signal for coding or transmission as it may be used within the digital signal processing chain of an audio codec

Note 1 to entry: A channel may correspond directly to one specific loudspeaker or it may carry an audio signal that is meant to be further processed and played back on more than one loudspeaker by some means not further specified here.

##### 3.1.2

##### **DRC**

dynamic range compressor process that modifies the amplitude of an audio signal

**3.1.3**

**K-weighted**

frequency weighting by means of a two-stage filter, as defined in Rec. ITU-R BS.1770

**3.1.4**

**LKFS**

loudness, K-weighted, relative to nominal full scale, as defined in Rec. ITU-R BS.1770

**3.1.5**

**loudspeaker**

**LS**

physical loudspeaker with a given geometric position relative to the listener and, if applicable, a label or name

Note 1 to entry: Even though the loudspeaker names used in this part of ISO/IEC 23001 each describe one discrete loudspeaker position, some loudspeaker signals may, in practice, be rendered on a loudspeaker array consisting of multiple loudspeakers which are all driven with the same audio signal, for example, in a theatrical setting.

**3.1.6**

**loudspeaker index**

association of a loudspeaker geometric position to a given index

**3.1.7**

**loudspeaker layout**

set of loudspeakers with a specific constellation of geometric positions meant for authoring or playback of audio content

**3.1.8**

**loudspeaker layout index**

association of a loudspeaker layout to a given index

**3.2 Abbreviated terms**

For the purposes of this document, the following abbreviated terms apply.

LSB least-significant bit

MSB most-significant bit

**4 Conventions**

NOTE The mathematical operators used in this part of ISO/IEC 23001 are similar to those used in the C programming language. However, integer division and arithmetic shift operations are specifically defined. Numbering and counting conventions generally begin from 0.

**4.1 Arithmetic operators**

The following arithmetic operators are defined as follows:

- + Addition
- Subtraction (as a two-argument operator) or negation (as a unary prefix operator)
- \* Multiplication, including matrix multiplication
- $x^y$  Exponentiation. Specifies x to the power of y. In other contexts, such notation is used for superscripting not intended for interpretation as exponentiation.

/	Integer division with truncation of the result toward zero. For example, $7 / 4$ and $(-7) / (-4)$ are truncated to 1 and $(-7) / 4$ and $7 / (-4)$ are truncated to -1.
÷	Used to denote division in mathematical equations where no truncation or rounding is intended.
$\frac{x}{y}$	Used to denote division in mathematical equations where no truncation or rounding is intended.
$\sum_{i=x}^y f(i)$	The summation of $f(i)$ with $i$ taking all integer values from $x$ up to and including $y$ .
$x \% y$	Modulus. Remainder of $x$ divided by $y$ , defined only for integers $x$ and $y$ with $x \geq 0$ and $y > 0$ .

## 4.2 Relational operators

The following relational operators are defined as follows:

>	Greater than
>=	Greater than or equal to
<	Less than
<=	Less than or equal to.
==	Equal to
!=	Not equal to

When a relational operator is applied to a syntax element or variable that has been assigned the value "na" (not applicable), the value "na" is treated as a distinct value for the syntax element or variable. The value "na" is considered not to be equal to any other value.

## 4.3 Bit-wise operators

The following bit-wise operators are defined as follows:

&	Bit-wise "and". When operating on integer arguments, operates on a two's complement representation of the integer value. When operating on a binary argument that contains fewer bits than another argument, the shorter argument is extended by adding more significant bits equal to 0.
	Bit-wise "or". When operating on integer arguments, operates on a two's complement representation of the integer value. When operating on a binary argument that contains fewer bits than another argument, the shorter argument is extended by adding more significant bits equal to 0.
^	Bit-wise "exclusive or". When operating on integer arguments, operates on a two's complement representation of the integer value. When operating on a binary argument that contains fewer bits than another argument, the shorter argument is extended by adding more significant bits equal to 0.
$x \gg y$	Arithmetic right shift of a two's complement integer representation of $x$ by $y$ binary digits. This function is defined only for positive integer values of $y$ . Bits shifted into the MSBs as a result of the right shift have a value equal to the MSB of $x$ prior to the shift operation.

$x \ll y$  Arithmetic left shift of a two's complement integer representation of  $x$  by  $y$  binary digits. This function is defined only for positive integer values of  $y$ . Bits shifted into the LSBs as a result of the left shift have a value equal to 0.

**4.4 Mathematical functions**

The following mathematical functions are defined as follows:

$$\text{Abs}(x) = \begin{cases} x & ; \quad x \geq 0 \\ -x & ; \quad x < 0 \end{cases} \tag{1}$$

$$\text{Clip1}_Y(x) = \text{Clip3}(0, (1 \ll \text{BitDepth}_Y) - 1, x), \tag{2}$$

where  $\text{BitDepth}_Y$  is the representation bit depth of the corresponding luma colour component signal.

$$\text{Clip1}_C(x) = \text{Clip3}(0, (1 \ll \text{BitDepth}_C) - 1, x), \tag{3}$$

where  $\text{BitDepth}_C$  is the representation bit depth of the corresponding chroma colour component signal  $C$ . In general,  $\text{BitDepth}_C$  may be distinct for different chroma colour components signals  $C$ , e.g. for  $C$  corresponding to  $C_b$  or  $C_r$ .

$$\text{Clip3}(x,y,z) = \begin{cases} x & ; \quad z < x \\ y & ; \quad z > y \\ z & ; \quad \text{otherwise} \end{cases} \tag{4}$$

$\text{Floor}(x)$  the largest integer less than or equal to  $x$ . (5)

$\text{Log10}(x)$  returns the base-10 logarithm of  $x$ . (6)

$\text{Round}(x) = \text{Sign}(x) * \text{Floor}(\text{Abs}(x) + 0,5)$ . (7)

$$\text{Sign}(x) = \begin{cases} 1 & ; \quad x \geq 0 \\ -1 & ; \quad x < 0 \end{cases} \tag{8}$$

$\text{Sqrt}(x) = \sqrt{x}$  (9)

**5 Introduction**

**5.1 General**

This Clause identifies the code points defined in this part of ISO/IEC 23001, as listed in [Table 1](#) with cross-references to the subclause in which each is specified.

**Table 1 — List of code point definitions**

Name	Abstract	Subclause
<b>ColourPrimaries</b>	Video colour primaries	<a href="#">7.1</a>
<b>TransferCharacteristics</b>	Video colour transfer characteristics	<a href="#">7.2</a>
<b>MatrixCoefficients</b> and <b>VideoFull-RangeFlag</b>	Video matrix colour coefficients	<a href="#">7.3</a>



Table 1 (continued)

Name	Abstract	Subclause
<b>VideoFramePackingType</b> and <b>QuincunxSamplingFlag</b>	Video frame packing	<a href="#">7.4</a>
<b>PackedContentInterpretationType</b>	Interpretation of packed video frames	<a href="#">7.5</a>
<b>SampleAspectRatio</b> , <b>SarWidth</b> , <b>SarHeight</b>	Sample aspect ratio of video	<a href="#">7.6</a>
<b>OutputChannelPosition</b>	Audio channel assignment	<a href="#">8.1</a>
<b>ChannelConfiguration</b>	Audio channel configuration	<a href="#">8.2</a>
<b>LoudspeakerGeometry</b>	Audio loudspeaker geometry	<a href="#">8.3</a>
<b>LoudspeakerElevation</b>	Audio loudspeaker elevation	<a href="#">8.3</a>
<b>LoudspeakerAzimuth</b>	Audio loudspeaker azimuth	<a href="#">8.3</a>
<b>ProgramLoudness</b>	Audio program loudness level	<a href="#">8.4</a>
<b>AnchorLoudness</b>	Audio anchor content loudness level	<a href="#">8.5</a>
<b>LoudnessRange</b>	Range of loudness	<a href="#">8.6</a>
<b>LoudnessRangeTop</b>	Top value of loudness range	<a href="#">8.7</a>
<b>MomentaryLoudnessMax</b>	Maximum Loudness (400 ms window)	<a href="#">8.8</a>
<b>ShortTermLoudnessMax</b>	Maximum Loudness (3 s window)	<a href="#">8.9</a>
<b>ShortTermLoudness</b>	Loudness (3 s window)	<a href="#">8.10</a>
<b>SamplePeakLevel</b>	Level of sample peak magnitude	<a href="#">8.11</a>
<b>TruePeakLevel</b>	Level of true peak	<a href="#">8.11</a>
<b>DrcCharacteristic</b>	Index of DRC characteristic	<a href="#">8.12</a>

## 5.2 Background

In a number of specifications, there is a need to identify some characteristics of media that are logically independent of the compression format (for example, aspects that relate to the sourcing or presentation or the role of the media component). These media characteristics have typically been documented by fields that take an encoded value or item selected from an enumerated list, herein called code points.

These code points are typically defined in the specification of compression formats to document these characteristics of the media. In past practices, the definition of these fields has been copied from standard to standard, sometimes with new values being added in later standards (and sometimes with later amendments specified to add new entries to existing standards).

This past practice has raised a number of issues, including the following:

- a) A lack of a formal way to avoid conflicting assignments being made in different standards.
- b) Having additional values defined in later specifications that may be practically used with older compression formats, but without clear formal applicability of these new values to older standards.
- c) Any update or correction of code point semantics can incur significant effort to update all standards in which the code point is specified, instead of enabling a single central specification to apply across different referencing specifications.
- d) The choice of reference for other specifications (such as container or delivery formats) not being obvious; wherein a formal reference to a compression format standard appears to favour that one format over others, and also appears to preclude definitions defined in other compression format specifications.
- e) Burdensome maintenance needs to ensure that a reference to material defined in a compression format specification is maintained appropriately over different revisions of the referenced format

specification, as the content of a compression format specification may change over time and is ordinarily not intended as a point of reference for defining such code points.

This part of ISO/IEC 23001 provides a central definition of such code points to address these issues.

### 5.3 Applicability

The usage of this part of ISO/IEC 23001 is illustrated in Figure 1. This part of ISO/IEC 23001 can be used to provide universal descriptions to assist interpretation of signals following decoding or to describe the properties of the signals before they are encoded.

This part of ISO/IEC 23001 provides code points for coding-independent description of multimedia signal characteristics.

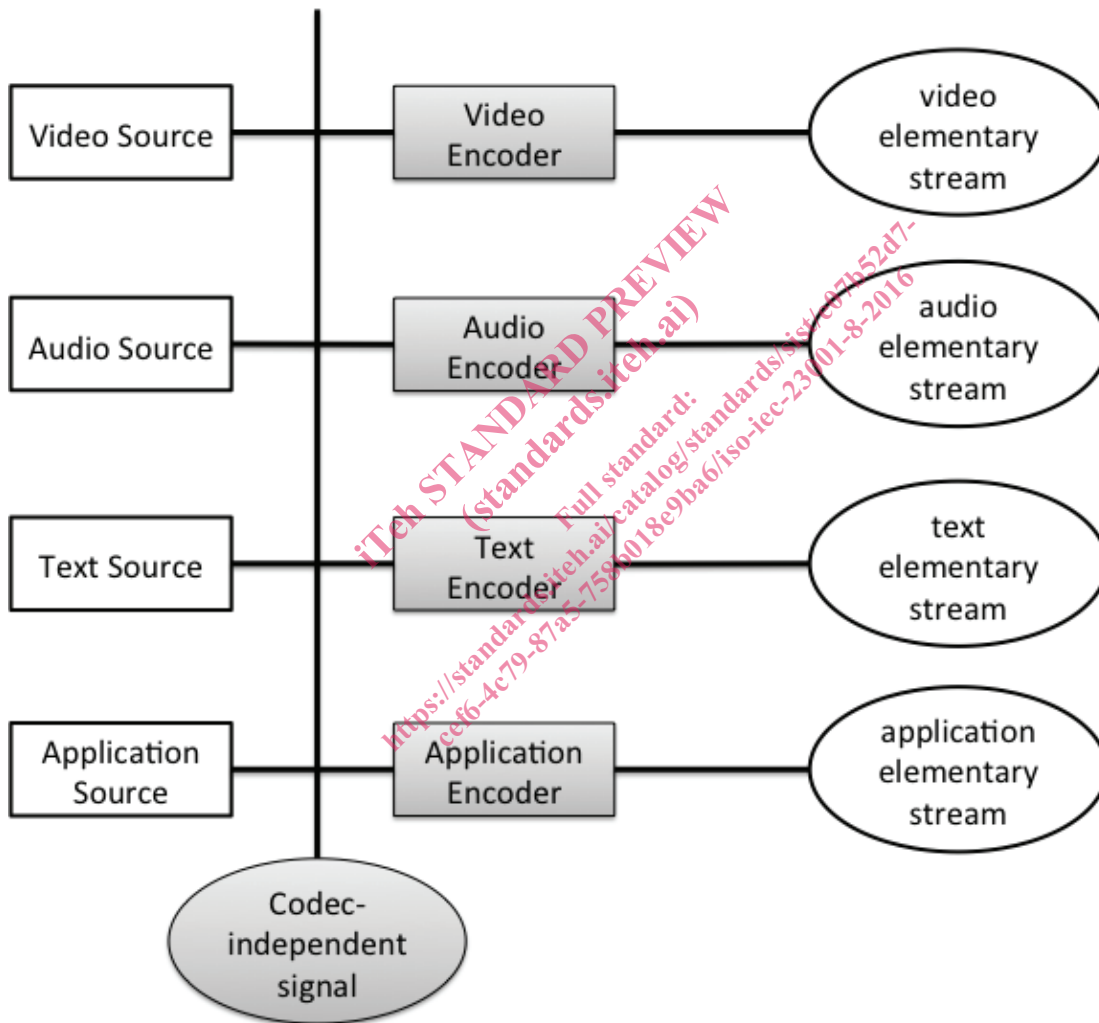


Figure 1 — Scope of this part of ISO/IEC 23001

## 6 Principles for definition and referencing of code points

### 6.1 Code point encoding and defaults

The code points defined herein may be specified as a value or a label of an enumerated list. The definition of their encoding and representation (e.g. as a binary number) is the responsibility of the specification using the code point, as is the identification of any applicable default value not specified herein. It is also

possible for external specifications to use a mapping to values defined here, if they wish to preserve identical semantics but different code point assignments.

Guidance is given for each code point as to a suitable type (e.g. unsigned integer) and a suitable value range (e.g. 0 to 63) for assistance in writing derived specifications. In some instances, default flag values are provided that are suggested to be inferred for code point parameters with associated flags that may not be explicitly signalled or specified in derived specifications.

## 6.2 Externally defined values

If the external specification permits values not defined by this part of ISO/IEC 23001 to be identified in the same field that carries values defined by this part of ISO/IEC 23001, then that other specification should identify how values defined herein can be distinguished from values not defined herein.

## 6.3 Reference format

References to code points in this part of ISO/IEC 23001 should use only the code point name (i.e. a “Name” from [Table 1](#)) and specification title, and not use section numbers or any other “fragile” reference such as a table number. Example: “**ChocolateDensity** as defined in ISO/IEC 23001-8 *Coding-independent code points*”.

## 6.4 URN Format

The Uniform Resource Names (URN) prefix

`urn:mpeg:mpegB:cicp:`

is defined by this part of ISO/IEC 23001 to form URN labels for the names in [Table 1](#), when followed by a name from that table. Systems may use these URNs to identify values defined herein.

EXAMPLE `urn:mpeg:mpegB:cicp:ColourPrimaries`

## 7 Video code points

### 7.1 Colour primaries

*Type: Unsigned integer, enumeration*

*Range: 0 – 255*

**ColourPrimaries** indicates the chromaticity coordinates of the source colour primaries as specified in [Table 2](#) in terms of the CIE 1931 definition of x and y as specified by ISO 11664-1.

An 8-bit field should be adequate for representation of the ColourPrimaries code point.

**Table 2 — Interpretation of colour primaries (ColourPrimaries) value**

Value	Colour primaries	Informative remarks
0	Reserved	For future use by ISO/IEC
1	primary      x      y	Rec. ITU-R BT.709-5
	green          0,300   0,600	Rec. ITU-R BT.1361 conventional colour gamut system and extended colour gamut system (historical)
	blue           0,150   0,060	IEC 61966-2-1 sRGB or sYCC
	red            0,640   0,330	IEC 61966-2-4
	white D65    0,312 7   0,329 0	Society of Motion Picture and Television Engineers RP 177 (1993) Annex B

Table 2 (continued)

Value	Colour primaries			Informative remarks
2	Unspecified			Image characteristics are unknown or are determined by the application.
3	Reserved			For future use by ISO/IEC
4	primary	x	y	Rec. ITU-R BT.470-6 System M (historical)
	green	0,21	0,71	United States National Television System Committee 1953 Recommendation for transmission standards for colour television
	blue	0,14	0,08	
	red	0,67	0,33	United States Federal Communications Commission Title 47 Code of Federal Regulations (2003) 73.682 (a) (20)
	white C	0,310	0,316	
5	primary	x	y	Rec. ITU-R BT.470-6 System B, G (historical)
	green	0,29	0,60	Rec. ITU-R BT.601-6 625
	blue	0,15	0,06	Rec. ITU-R BT.1358 625 (historical)
	red	0,64	0,33	Rec. ITU-R BT.1700 625 PAL and 625 SECAM
	white D65	0,312 7	0,329 0	
6	primary	x	y	Rec. ITU-R BT.601-6 525
	green	0,310	0,595	Rec. ITU-R BT.1358-525 (historical)
	blue	0,155	0,070	Rec. ITU-R BT.1700 NTSC
	red	0,630	0,340	Society of Motion Picture and Television Engineers 170M (2004)
	white D65	0,312 7	0,329 0	(functionally the same as the value 7)
7	primary	x	y	Society of Motion Picture and Television Engineers 240M (1999)
	green	0,310	0,595	
	blue	0,155	0,070	(functionally the same as the value 6)
	red	0,630	0,340	
	white D65	0,312 7	0,329 0	
8	primary	x	y	Generic film (colour filters using Illuminant C)
	green	0,243	0,692 (Wratten 58)	
	blue	0,145	0,049 (Wratten 47)	
	red	0,681	0,319 (Wratten 25)	
	white C	0,310	0,316	
9	primary	x	y	Rec. ITU-R BT.2020
	green	0,170	0,797	
	blue	0,131	0,046	
	red	0,708	0,292	
	white D65	0,312 7	0,329 0	
10	primary	x	y	Society of Motion Picture and Television Engineers ST 428-1
	green (Y)	0,0	1,0	(CIE 1931 XYZ as in ISO 11664-1)
	blue (Z) 0,0	0,0		
	red (X) 1,0	0,0		
	centre white	1 ÷ 3	1 ÷ 3	