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Introduction

This document was developed in response to worldwide demand for minimum specifications for the digital cinema stereoscopic projection distributed internationally.

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Technical requirements and test methods for digital cinema stereoscopic projection

1 Scope

This document specifies the technical requirements and corresponding measurement methods for the parameters of images generated by digital cinema stereoscopic projection optical systems.

This document is applicable to the measurement of digital cinema stereoscopic projection systems.

2 Normative references

The following documents for the application of this document are essential. For dated references, only the dated versions apply to this document. For undated references, the latest edition (including any amendments) applies.

ISO 10527:2007, CIE standard colorimetric observers

ISO 26431-1:2008, Digital cinema (D-cinema) quality — Part 1: Screen luminance level, chromaticity and uniformity

3 Terms and definitions 2 10 2 10 S. item. 2 1

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:

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

3.1

luminance, center

the luminance value of the center point of the screen under the white field signal is expressed as the arithmetic mean of the luminance values of the center of the left and right white screens

3.2

luminance, difference

the ratio of the absolute value of luminance difference between the left and right white screen centers and the luminance of the center of the screen

3.3

luminance, uniformity (side)

the luminance of the top, bottom, left, and right sides of the left (right) eye screen is consistent with the luminance of the left (right) eye center

3.4

white chromaticity, center

the chromaticity of the center point of the left (right) eye white field, expressed in color coordinates

4 Technical requirements

The technical requirements for the parameters of images generated by digital cinema stereoscopic projection optical systems are given in <u>Table 1</u>. Target A shall be preferred for theaters, followed by B and C.

Table 1 — Technical requirements for the parameters of images generated by digital cinema stereoscopic projection optical systems

Number	Parameter	Requirements Test met						
	Luminance, center (cd/m²)	Target ^a	Nominal	Review rooms range	Theaters range	refer to <u>5.4.1</u>		
1		A	48.0	±3.5	±10.2			
		В	24.0	±1.8	±5.1			
		С	15.5	±1.1	±3.3			
2	Luminance, difference		refer to <u>5.4.2</u>					
3	Luminance, uniformity (side)	(should be): 75% to 90% of luminance center				refer to <u>5.4.3</u>		
4	White chromaticity, center	(should be): $x = 0.314 \pm 0.006$, $y = 0.351 \pm 0.006$				refer to <u>5.4.4</u>		
^a Filmma	Filmmakers can prepare content that is optimized for any or each of the targets.							

5 Test methods

5.1 Measuring equipments

5.1.1 Spectroradiometer

The spectroradiometer shall comply with the requirements specified in 4.5, ISO 26431-1:2008.

5.1.2 Photometer

Screen luminance shall be measured with a spot photometer having the spectral luminance response of the standard observer (photopic vision), as defined in ISO 10527:2007. The acceptance angle of the photometer shall be 2° or less. The lower limit of the measuring range shall be $0.01 \, \text{cd/m}^2$ or better. The photometer response to luminance variation over time shall be to properly integrate any such variation occurring at frequencies at or above 24 Hz and display the arithmetic mean value.

5.2 Signal of measurement

5.2.1 White field signal

The digital code values of the white field signal is (X'=3794,Y'=3960,Z'=3890).

5.3 Measurement conditions and measurement requirements

Measurement conditions shall meet the following requirements:

- a) All equipment shall be in normal operating status;
- b) Measurement shall be carried out after the light output of the digital projector stabilizes. Digital projector shall project white field signal through the stereoscopic equipment for 15 min;
- c) The light of the digital projector shall pass through the stereoscopic projection equipment;

- d) When measuring through the stereoscopic glasses they shall be placed in a horizontal state, as a viewer would wear them. No tilt from the horizontal axis is allowed;
- e) All signals shall be output to the digital projector by Media Block. The measurement shall cover all valid screen images;
- f) Measurement location in the auditorium shall comply with the requirements specified in 4.3, ISO 26431-1:2008.;
- g) Measurement locations on the screen of Luminance, difference shall comply with the requirements specified in 4.2, ISO 26431-1:2008;
- h) For using dual stereoscopic cinema screenings, both of the digital projectors shall also be turned on and working normally;
- i) The measurement of the optical system of stereoscopic projection should be carried out within the range of the white color chromaticity coordinates of the center of the screen.

5.4 The measurement of the optical system of stereoscopic projection

5.4.1 Luminance, center

Measurement Procedures:

- a) Open the photometer and make it work normally;
- b) Set the digital projector as the stereoscopic projection mode and use the stereoscopic projection equipment;
- c) The white field signal is simultaneously displayed in the left and right eyes;
- d) Using the photometer to measure and record the left-eye white field center luminance L_{lw} and the right-eye white field center luminance L_{rw} through the left-eye lens and the right-eye lens of the stereo glasses;
- e) Calculate and record the luminance centerL according to Formula (1);

$$L = \frac{L_{lw} + L_{rw}}{2} \tag{1}$$

where

- L Luminance, center;
- L_{lw} The center luminance of the white field of the left-eye when the left and right eyes simultaneously display the white field signal;
- L_{rw} The center luminance of the white field of the right-eye when the left and right eyes simultaneously display the white field signal.

5.4.2 Luminance, difference

Measurement Procedures:

- a) Refer to the measurement method of luminance center, record the left-eye white field center luminance L_{lw} and the right-eye white field center luminance L_{rw} ;
- b) Calculate and record the luminance difference L_d according to Formula (2);

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$$L_{d} = \frac{|L_{lw} - L_{rw}|}{\left(\frac{1}{2}\right)(L_{lw} + L_{rw})} \times 100\%$$
 (2)

where

 L_d Luminance difference;

 L_{lw} The center luminance of the white field of the left-eye when the left and right eyes simultaneously display the white field signal;

 L_{rw} The center luminance of the white field of the right-eye when the left and right eyes simultaneously display the white field signal.

5.4.3 Luminance, uniformity (side)

Measurement Procedures:

- a) Open the photometer and make it work normally;
- b) Set the digital projector as the stereoscopic projection mode and use the stereoscopic projection equipment;
- c) The white field signal is simultaneously displayed in the left and right eyes;
- d) Measure the luminance L_{lw} of white field in the center of screen and the luminance L_{ls} of white field of four sides by using photometer through stereoscopic glasses of left-eye;
- e) Measure the luminance L_{rw} of white field in the center of screen and the luminance L_{rs} of white field of four sides by using photometer through stereoscopic glasses of right-eye;
- f) Calculate and record the luminance uniformity (side) U₁ of the upper, lower, left and right edges of the white field of the left-eye according to Formula (3);

$$U_l = \frac{L_{ls}}{L_{lw}} \times 100\% \tag{3}$$

where

 U_1 Left-eye luminance, uniformity (side);

 L_{lw} The center luminance of the white field of the left-eye when the left and right eyes simultaneously display the white field signal;

 L_{ls} The left-eye luminance of white field of four sides when the left and right eyes simultaneously display the white field signal.

g) Calculate and record the luminance uniformity (side) U_r of the upper, lower, left and right sides of the white field of the right-eye according to Formula (4).

$$U_r = \frac{L_{rs}}{L_{rm}} \times 100\% \tag{4}$$

where

 U_r Right-eye luminance, uniformity (side);

 L_{rw} The center luminance of the white field of the right-eye when the left and right eyes simultaneously display the white field signal;