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## Part 3: Audio

### AMENDMENT 4: New levels for AAC profiles

#### 1 Notes from the editor

Some modifications with respect to ISO/IEC 14496-3:2009 are highlighted by colored background as follows. These highlights shall be removed upon integration of the amendment into a future edition of ISO/IEC 14496-3.

**YELLOW** Cross-references and subclause numbers that need to be checked and aligned with ISO/IEC 14496-3:2009.

**GRAY** Changes relative to ISO/IEC 14496-3:2009 that are highlighted for better visibility.

#### 2 Changes to the text of ISO/IEC 14496-3:2009

*In 1.2 Normative references, add:*

ISO/IEC 23001-8, Information technology — MPEG systems technologies — Part 8: Coding-independent code points

*In 1.3 Terms and Definitions, add:*

1.3.z **SAOC-DE**: Spatial Audio Object Coding Dialogue Enhancement

*and increase the index-number of subsequent entries.*

In 1.5.1.1 Audio object type definition, amend Table 1.1 with the updates in the table below:

Object Type ID	Audio Object Type	gain control	[...]	Remark
0	Null			
[..]	[...]			
43	SAOC			
44	LD MPEG Surround			
45	SAOC-DE			
46 - 95	(reserved)			

After 1.5.1.2.39 add the following new subclauses:

**1.5.1.2.40 SAOC-DE object type**

The SAOC-DE object type conveys Spatial Audio Object Coding Dialogue Enhancement side information (see ISO/IEC 23003-2:2010/Amd.3) in the MPEG-4 Audio framework.

In 1.5.2.1 (Profiles), Table 1.3 (Audio Profiles definition), add:

Object Type ID	Audio Object Type	...
...	...	...
43	SAOC	
44	LD MPEG Surround	
45	SAOC-DE	

In 1.5.2.3 Levels within the profiles replace:

**Table 1.10 – Levels for the AAC Profile**

Level	Max. channels/ object	Max. sampling rate [kHz]	Max. PCU	Max. RCU
1	2	24	3	5
2	2	48	6	5
3	NA	NA	NA	NA
4	5	48	19	15
5	5	96	38	15

With:

**Table 1.10 – Levels for the AAC Profile**

Level	Max. channels/ object	Max. sampling rate [kHz]	Max. PCU	Max. RCU
1	2	24	3	5
2	2	48	6	5
3	NA	NA	NA	NA
4	5	48	19	15
5	5	96	38	15
6	7	48	25	19
7	7	96	50	19

Replace:

**Table 1.11 – Levels for the High Efficiency AAC Profile**

Level	Max. channels/ object	Max. AAC sampling rate, SBR not present [kHz]	Max. AAC sampling rate, SBR present [kHz]	Max. SBR sampling rate [kHz] (in/out)	Max. PCU	Max. RCU	Max. PCU Low power SBR	Max. RCU Low power SBR
1	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
2	2	48	24	24/48	9	10	7	8

3	2	48	48	48/48 (Note 1)	15	10	12	8
4	5	48	24/48 (Note 2)	48/48 (Note 1)	25	28	20	23
5	5	96	48	48/96	49	28	39	23

Note 1: For level 3 and level 4 decoders, it is mandatory to operate the SBR tool in downsampled mode if the sampling rate of the AAC core is higher than 24kHz. Hence, if the SBR tool operates on a 48kHz AAC signal, the internal sampling rate of the SBR tool will be 96kHz, however, the output signal will be downsampled by the SBR tool to 48kHz.

Note 2: For one or two channels the maximum AAC sampling rate, with SBR present, is 48kHz. For more than two channels the maximum AAC sampling rate, with SBR present, is 24kHz.

With:

**Table 1.11 – Levels for the High Efficiency AAC Profile**

Level	Max. channels/object	Max. AAC sampling rate, SBR not present [kHz]	Max. AAC sampling rate, SBR present [kHz]	Max. SBR sampling rate [kHz] (in/out)	Max. PCU	Max. RCU	Max. PCU Low power SBR	Max. RCU Low power SBR
1	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
2	2	48	24	24/48	9	10	7	8
3	2	48	48	48/48 (Note 1)	15	10	12	8
4	5	48	24/48 (Note 2)	48/48 (Note 1)	25	28	20	23
5	5	96	48	48/96	49	28	39	23
6	7	48	24/48 (Note 2)	48/48 (Note 1)	34	37	27	30
7	7	96	48	48/96	67	37	53	30

Note 1: For level 3, level 4 and level 6 decoders, it is mandatory to operate the SBR tool in downsampled mode if the sampling rate of the AAC core is higher than 24kHz. Hence, if the SBR tool operates on a 48kHz AAC signal, the internal sampling rate of the SBR tool will be 96kHz, however, the output signal will be downsampled by the SBR tool to 48kHz.

Note 2: For one or two channels the maximum AAC sampling rate, with SBR present, is 48kHz. For more than two channels the maximum AAC sampling rate, with SBR present, is 24kHz.

Replace:

**Table 1.12 – Levels for the High Efficiency AAC v2 Profile**

Level (Note 1)	Max. channels/object	Max. AAC sampling rate, SBR not present [kHz]	Max. AAC sampling rate, SBR present [kHz]	Max. SBR sampling rate [kHz] (in/out)	Max. PCU	Max. RCU	Max. PCU HQ / LP SBR (Note 5)	Max. RCU HQ / LP SBR (Note 5)
1	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
2	2	48	24	24/48	9	10	9	10
3	2	48	24/48 (Note 3)	48/48 (Note 2)	15	10	15	10
4	5	48	24/48 (Note 4)	48/48 (Note 2)	25	28	20	23
5	5	96	48	48/96	49	28	39	23

Note 1: Level 2,3, and 4 HE AAC v2 Profile decoders implements the baseline version of the parametric stereo tool. A level 5 decoder shall not be limited to the baseline version of the parametric stereo tool.

Note 2: For level 3 and level 4 decoders, it is mandatory to operate the SBR tool in downsampled mode if the sampling rate of the AAC core is higher than 24kHz. Hence, if the SBR tool operates on a 48kHz AAC signal, the internal sampling rate of the SBR tool will be 96kHz, however, the output signal will be downsampled by the SBR tool to 48kHz.

Note 3: If Parametric Stereo data is present the maximum AAC sampling rate is 24kHz, if Parametric Stereo data is not present the maximum AAC sampling rate is 48kHz.

Note 4: For one or two channels the maximum AAC sampling rate, with SBR present, is 48kHz. For more than two channels the maximum AAC sampling rate, with SBR present, is 24kHz.

Note 5: The PCU/RCU number are given for a decoder operating the LP SBR tool whenever applicable.

With:

**Table 1.12 – Levels for the High Efficiency AAC v2 Profile**

Level (Note 1)	Max. channels/object	Max. AAC sampling rate, SBR not present [kHz]	Max. AAC sampling rate, SBR present [kHz]	Max. SBR sampling rate [kHz] (in/out)	Max. PCU	Max. RCU	Max. PCU HQ / LP SBR (Note 5)	Max. RCU HQ / LP SBR (Note 5)
1	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
2	2	48	24	24/48	9	10	9	10
3	2	48	24/48 (Note 3)	48/48 (Note 2)	15	10	15	10
4	5	48	24/48 (Note 4)	48/48 (Note 2)	25	28	20	23
5	5	96	48	48/96	49	28	39	23
6	7	48	24/48 (Note 4)	48/48 (Note 2)	34	37	27	30
7	7	96	48	48/96	67	37	53	30

Note 1: Level 2, 3, 4, 6 and 7 HE AAC v2 Profile decoders implement the baseline version of the parametric stereo tool. A level 5 decoder shall not be limited to the baseline version of the parametric stereo tool.

Note 2: For level 3, level 4 and level 6 decoders, it is mandatory to operate the SBR tool in downsampled mode if the sampling rate of the AAC core is higher than 24kHz. Hence, if the SBR tool operates on a 48kHz AAC signal, the internal sampling rate of the SBR tool will be 96kHz, however, the output signal will be downsampled by the SBR tool to 48kHz.

Note 3: If Parametric Stereo data is present the maximum AAC sampling rate is 24kHz, if Parametric Stereo data is not present the maximum AAC sampling rate is 48kHz.

Note 4: For one or two channels the maximum AAC sampling rate, with SBR present, is 48kHz. For more than two channels the maximum AAC sampling rate, with SBR present, is 24kHz.

Note 5: The PCU/RCU number are given for a decoder operating the LP SBR tool whenever applicable.

*In 1.5.2.4 audioProfileLevelIndication*

Insert the following new entries into Table 1.14 “audioProfileLevelIndication values” and adapt the “reserved for ISO use” range accordingly:

0x50	AAC Profile	L6
0x51	AAC Profile	L7
0x52	HE-AAC Profile	L6
0x53	HE-AAC Profile	L7
0x54	HE-AACv2 Profile	L6
0x55	HE-AACv2 Profile	L7
0x56	Extended HE-AAC Profile	L6
0x57	Extended HE-AAC Profile	L7
0x58 - 0x7F	reserved for ISO use	-

*In 1.5.2.3 after:*

"The NA (Not Applicable) levels are introduced to emphasize the hierarchical structure of the AAC Profile and the High Efficiency AAC Profile. Hence, a decoder supporting the High Efficiency AAC Profile at a given level can decode an AAC Profile stream of the same or a lower level. The NA levels are not indicated in the audioProfileLevelIndication table (Table 1.14).

*Add:*

NOTE: A Level 6 or 7 decoder is not required to decode a Level 5 stream."

*In 1.5.2.3 "1.5.2.3 Levels within the profiles", in the AAC, HE-AAC and HE-AACv2 Profile definition after each occurrence of the sentence:*

"For the audio object type 2 (AAC LC), mono or stereo mixdown elements are not permitted."

*Add:*

"For Levels 1 to 5 the height extension element is not permitted."

In 1.6.2.1 extend Table 1.15 “AudioSpecificConfig()” as follows:

Table 1.15 – Syntax of AudioSpecificConfig()

Syntax	No. of bits	Mnemonic
AudioSpecificConfig () {  ...  saocPresentFlag = -1; ldmpsPresentFlag = -1; saocDePresentFlag = -1;		
if ( audioObjectType == 5    audioObjectType == 29 ) {  ...  case 43: saocPresentFlag = 1; <b>saocPayloadEmbedding</b> ; SaocSpecificConfig(); break;	1	uimsbf
case 44: ldmpsPresentFlag = 1; <b>ldsacPayloadEmbedding</b> ; LDSpatialSpecificConfig(); break;	1	uimsbf
case 45: saocDePresentFlag = 1; <b>saocDePayloadEmbedding</b> ; SaocDeSpecificConfig(); break;	1	uimsbf
default: /* reserved */ }		
...  if (extensionIdentifier == -1 && bits_to_decode() >= 11 ) { <b>extensionIdentifier</b> ;	11	bslbf
if ( extensionIdentifier == 0x7cb ) { extensionIdentifier = -1; if ( audioObjectType != 43 && bits_to_decode() >= 1 ) { <b>saocPresentFlag</b> ; if ( saocPresentFlag == 1 ) { saocPayloadEmbedding = 1; <b>saocscLen</b> ;	1	uimsbf
if ( saocscLen == 0xff ) { <b>saocscLenExt</b> ;	8	uimsbf
saocscLen += saocscLenExt; } SaocSpecificConfig(); }	16	uimsbf
}		
}		

<pre> } if (extensionIdentifier == -1 &amp;&amp; bits_to_decode() &gt;= 11 ) {     <b>extensionIdentifier;</b> } if ( extensionIdentifier == 0x7cc ) {     extensionIdentifier = -1;     if ( audioObjectType != 44 &amp;&amp; bits_to_decode() &gt;= 1 ) {         <b>ldmpsPresentFlag;</b>         if ( ldmpsPresentFlag == 1 ) {             ldscPayloadEmbedding = 1;             <b>ldsscLen;</b>             if ( ldsscLen == 0xff ) {                 <b>ldsscLenExt;</b>                 ldsscLen += ldsscLenExt;             }             LDSPatialSpecificConfig();         }     } } </pre>	<p>11</p> <p>1</p> <p>8</p> <p>16</p>	<p>bslbf</p> <p>uimsbf</p> <p>uimsbf</p> <p>uimsbf</p>
<pre> if (extensionIdentifier == -1 &amp;&amp; bits_to_decode() &gt;= 11 ) {     <b>extensionIdentifier;</b> } if ( extensionIdentifier == 0x7cd ) {     extensionIdentifier = -1;     if ( audioObjectType != 45 &amp;&amp; bits_to_decode() &gt;= 1 ) {         <b>saocDePresentFlag;</b>         if ( saocDePresentFlag == 1 ) {             saocDePayloadEmbedding = 1;             <b>saocDescLen;</b>             if ( saocDescLen == 0xff ) {                 <b>saocDescLenExt;</b>                 saocDescLen += saocDescLenExt;             }             SaocDeSpecificConfig();         }     } } } </pre>	<p>11</p> <p>1</p> <p>8</p> <p>16</p>	<p>bslbf</p> <p>uimsbf</p> <p>uimsbf</p> <p>uimsbf</p>

After 1.6.2.1.19 add the new subclause as follows:

**1.6.2.1.20 SaocDeSpecificConfig**

Defined in ISO/IEC 23003-2:2010/Amd.3.

In 1.6.2.2.1 extend Table 1.17 "Audio Object Types" as follows:

**Table 1.17 — Audio Object Types**

Object Type ID	Audio Object Type	definition of elementary stream payloads and detailed syntax	Mapping of audio payloads to access units and elementary streams
0	NULL		
...			
43	SAOC	ISO/IEC 23003-2	
44	LD MPEG Surround	ISO/IEC 23003-2	
45	SAOC-DE	ISO/IEC 23003-2:2010/Amd.3	

In 1.6.3.5 *channelConfiguration* replace:

A four bit field indicating the audio output channel configuration:

**Table 1.19 – Channel Configuration**

value	number of channels	audio syntactic elements, listed in order received	channel to speaker mapping
0	-	-	defined in AOT related SpecificConfig
1	1	single_channel_element()	center front speaker
2	2	channel_pair_element()	left, right front speakers
3	3	single_channel_element(), channel_pair_element()	center front speaker, left, right front speakers
4	4	single_channel_element(), channel_pair_element(), single_channel_element()	center front speaker, left, right center front speakers, rear surround speakers
5	5	single_channel_element(), channel_pair_element(), channel_pair_element()	center front speaker, left, right front speakers, left surround, right surround rear speakers
6	5+1	single_channel_element(), channel_pair_element(), channel_pair_element(), lfe_element()	center front speaker, left, right front speakers, left surround, right surround rear speakers, front low frequency effects speaker
7	7+1	single_channel_element(), channel_pair_element(), channel_pair_element(), channel_pair_element(), lfe_element()	center front speaker left, right center front speakers, left, right outside front speakers, left surround, right surround rear speakers, front low frequency effects speaker
8-15	-	-	reserved

With:

A four bit field that carries a ChannelConfiguration value as defined in ISO/IEC 23001-8, "Coding Independent Code Points". Table 1.19 lists the valid channel configurations for use in MPEG-4 Audio and documents the association of channel elements to speaker positions: the third column lists the audio syntactic elements in the order in which they occur in each access unit, and the fourth column lists the channel to speaker mapping where the first channel element listed maps to the first speaker listed. In the case of channel\_pair\_elements(), the first channel element that occurs within the channel pair maps to the next speaker listed. The columns of Table 1.19 that duplicate information from 23001-8 are informative, as 23001-8 is normative. The mapping of loudspeaker names to loudspeaker positions is as defined in by OutputChannelPosition in ISO/IEC 23001-8.

Table 1.19 – Channel Configuration

value	number of channels	audio syntactic elements, listed in order received	channel to speaker mapping
0	-	-	defined in AOT related SpecificConfig
1	1	single_channel_element()	center front speaker
2	2	channel_pair_element()	left, right front speakers
3	3	single_channel_element(), channel_pair_element()	center front speaker, left, right front speakers
4	4	single_channel_element(), channel_pair_element(), single_channel_element()	center front speaker, left, right front speakers, rear center speakers
5	5	single_channel_element(), channel_pair_element(), channel_pair_element()	center front speaker, left, right front speakers, left surround, right surround speakers
6	5.1	single_channel_element(), channel_pair_element(), channel_pair_element(), lfe_element()	center front speaker, left, right front speakers, left surround, right surround speakers, low frequency enhancement speaker
7	7.1 Front	single_channel_element(), channel_pair_element(), channel_pair_element(), channel_pair_element(), lfe_element()	center front speaker left, right front center speakers, left, right front speakers, left surround, right surround speakers, low frequency enhancement speaker
8-10	-	-	reserved
11	6.1	single_channel_element(), channel_pair_element(), channel_pair_element(), single_channel_element(), lfe_element()	center front speaker, left, right front speakers, left surround, right surround speakers, rear center speaker, low frequency enhancement speaker
12	7.1 Back	single_channel_element(), channel_pair_element(), channel_pair_element(), channel_pair_element(), lfe_element()	center front speaker left, right front speakers, left surround, right surround speakers, rear surround left, right speakers, low frequency enhancement speaker
13	22.2	single_channel_element(), channel_pair_element(), channel_pair_element(), channel_pair_element(), channel_pair_element(), single_channel_element(), lfe_element(), lfe_element(), single_channel_element(), channel_pair_element(), channel_pair_element(), single_channel_element(), channel_pair_element(), single_channel_element(), single_channel_element(), channel_pair_element()	center front speaker, left, right front center speakers, left, right front speakers, left, right side surround speakers, rear left, right surround speakers, rear center speaker, left front low freq. enhancement speaker, right front low freq. enhancement speaker, center front vertical height speaker, left, right front vertical height speakers, left, right vertical height side surr. speakers, top center surround speaker, left, right surr. vertical height rear speakers, center vertical height rear speaker, center front vertical bottom speaker, left, right front vertical bottom speakers

14	7.1 Top	single_channel_element(), channel_pair_element(), channel_pair_element(), lfe_element(), channel_pair_element()	center front speaker, left, right front speakers, left surround, right surround speakers, low frequency enhancement speaker, left, right front vertical height speakers
15	-	-	reserved

After 1.6.3.25 add the new text as follows:

### 1.6.3.26 saocDePayloadEmbedding

The audio Object Type ID 45 SAOC-DE is used to convey spatial audio object coding side information for SAOC-DE decoding as defined in ISO/IEC 23003-2:2010/Amd.3. Depending on this flag, the SAOC-DE data payload, i.e., SaocDeFrame(), is available by different means:

**Table AMD4.13 – saocDePayloadEmbedding**

saocDePayloadEmbedding	Meaning
0	One SaocDeFrame() is mapped into one access unit. Subsequent access units form one elementary stream. That elementary stream will always depend on another elementary stream that contains the underlying (downmixed) audio data.
1	The top level payload is multiplexed into the underlying (downmixed) audio data. The actual multiplexing details depend on the presentation of the audio data (i.e., usually on the AOT). Note that this leads to an elementary stream with no real payload. That elementary stream will always depend on another elementary stream that contains both, the underlying (downmixed) audio data and the multiplexed spatial audio data.

### 1.6.3.27 saocDePresentFlag

A one bit field indicating the presence or absence of SAOC-DE data. The value –1 indicates that the saocDePresentFlag was not conveyed in the AudioSpecificConfig().

### 1.6.3.28 saocDescLen

A helper variable indicating the number of bytes of the subsequent SaocSpecificConfig() data function including possible fill bits.

### 1.6.3.29 saocDescLenExt

A helper variable indicating the additional number of bytes of the subsequent SaocSpecificConfig() data function including possible fill bits.

After 4.4.1.1 Program config element, after Table 4.2 – Syntax of program\_config\_element(), add the following subclause:

4.4.1.2 Height extension element

Table AMD4.1 - Syntax of height extension element

Syntax	No. of Bits	Mnemonic
height_extension_element(comment_field_bytes) {		
<b>PCE_HEIGHT_EXTENSION_SYNC;</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>bslfb</b>
for (i = 0; i < num_front_channel_elements; i++){		
<b>front_element_height_info[i];</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>bslfb</b>
}		
for (i = 0; i < num_side_channel_elements; i++){		
<b>side_element_height_info[i];</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>bslfb</b>
}		
for (i = 0; i < num_back_channel_elements; i++){		
<b>back_element_height_info[i];</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>bslfb</b>
}		
byte_alignment();		
<b>height_info_crc_check</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>rpchof</b>
}		
Note 1: height_extension_element() may be embedded in comment_field_data[i] of program_config_element().		

The height extension element should not be used if it is possible to signal presence of height channels via channelConfiguration.

The height extension elements must not change the channel configuration as defined via the channelConfiguration element.

In 4.4.2.7 extend Table 4.57 “Syntax of extension\_payload()” as follows:

Table 4.57 – Syntax of extension\_payload()

Syntax	No. of bits	Mnemonic
extension_payload(cnt)		
{		
<b>extension_type;</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>uimsbf</b>
align = 4;		
switch( extension_type ) {		
case EXT_DYNAMIC_RANGE:		
return dynamic_range_info();		
case EXT_SAC_DATA:		
return sac_extension_data(cnt);		
case EXT_SAOC_DATA:		
return saoc_extension_data(cnt);		
case EXT_LDSAC_DATA:		
return ldsac_extension_data(cnt);		
case EXT_SBR_DATA:		
return sbr_extension_data(id_aac, 0);		Note 1
case EXT_SBR_DATA_CRC:		
return sbr_extension_data(id_aac, 1);		Note 1

```

case EXT_SAOC_DE_DATA:
    return saoc_de_extension_data(cnt);
case EXT_DATA_LENGTH:
    ...

```

In 4.4.2.7 after Table 4.61 add new Table **AMD4.14** “saoc\_de\_extension\_data()” as given below:

**Table AMD4.14** – Syntax of saoc\_de\_extension\_data()

Syntax	No. of bits	Mnemonic
saoc_de_extension_data(cnt)		
{		
<b>ancType</b> ;	<b>2</b>	<b>uimsbf</b>
<b>ancStart</b> ;	<b>1</b>	<b>uimsbf</b>
<b>ancStop</b> ;	<b>1</b>	<b>uimsbf</b>
for (i=0; i<cnt-1; i++) {		
<b>ancDataSegmentByte</b> [i];	<b>8</b>	<b>bslbf</b>
}		
return (cnt);		
}		

After 4.5.1.2 Program config element (PCE), add the following subclause:

#### 4.5.1.3 Height extension element

##### 4.5.1.3.1 Definitions

##### 4.5.1.3.1.1 Data elements

**PCE\_HEIGHT\_EXTENSION\_SYNC**    0xac

**front\_element\_height\_info**    a two-bit field containing height information

**side\_element\_height\_info**    a two-bit field containing height information

**back\_element\_height\_info**    a two-bit field containing height information

**Table AMD4.2** - Definition of height information

front_element_height_info side_element_height_info back_element_height_info	height information
0	Normal height
1	Top speaker
2	Bottom speaker
3	Reserved

If no height extension element is transmitted, height information is set to “Normal height”.

In the PCE the order of channel elements within the front, side and back channel elements shall follow the order as implied by Table AMD4.2 i.e. normal height elements first followed by Top and Bottom height speakers.

**height\_info\_crc\_check** 8 bit CRC error detection data generated as described in 7.3.4.6. of ISO/IEC23003-1, CRC Polynom:  $G(X) = X^8 + X^2 + X + 1$ , with initial shift register state 0xFF.

**4.5.1.3.1.2 Help elements**

**crc\_calc()** Function that returns CRC value calculated by data of all front\_element\_height\_info, side\_element\_height\_info and back\_element\_height\_info.

The following bits are protected and fed into the CRC algorithm in order of their appearance:

- 1) 8-bit height info sync word
- 2) front\_element\_height\_info
- 3) side\_element\_height\_info
- 4) back\_element\_height\_info
- 5) byte\_alignment bits

NOTE: Channel configurations containing other than normal height speakers should be signaled through explicit channel configurations as defined in Table 1.19, if possible.

In 4.4.2.1 Payloads for the audio object types AAC main, AAC SSR, AAC LC and AAC LTP, after Table 4.10 – Syntax of data\_stream\_element(), insert the following tables:

**Table AMD4.3 - Syntax of MPEG4\_ancillary\_data**

Syntax	No. of Bits	Mnemonic
MPEG4_ancillary_data() {		
<b>ancillary_data_sync;</b>	8	<b>bslbf</b>
<b>mpeg_audio_type</b>	2	<b>bslbf</b>
<b>dolby_surround_mode</b>	2	<b>bslbf</b>
<b>drc_presentation_mode</b>	2	<b>bslbf</b>
<b>stereo_downmix_mode;</b>	1	<b>bslbf</b>
bs_info_reserved, set to "0"	1	<b>bslbf</b>
anc_data_status_reserved, set to "000"	3	<b>bslbf</b>
<b>downmixing_levels_MPEG4_status</b>	1	<b>bslbf</b>
<b>ancillary_data_extension_status;</b>	1	<b>bslbf</b>
<b>audio_coding_and_compression_status</b>	1	<b>bslbf</b>
<b>coarse_grain_timecode_status</b>	1	<b>bslbf</b>
<b>fine_grain_timecode_status</b>	1	<b>bslbf</b>

if (downmixing_levels_MPEG4_status == 1) {		
center_mix_level_on	1	bslbf
center_mix_level_value	3	bslbf
surround_mix_level_on	1	bslbf
surround_mix_level_value	3	bslbf
}		
if (audio_coding_mode_and_compression_status == 1) {		
audio_coding_mode_reserved	7	bslbf
compression_on	1	bslbf
compression_value	8	bslbf
}		
if (coarse_grain_timecode_status == 1)		
coarse_grain_timecode	16	bslbf
if (fine_grain_timecode_status == 1)		
fine_grain_timecode	16	bslbf
if (ancillary_data_extension_status == 1){		
reserved, set to "0"	1	bslbf
ext_downmixing_levels_status;	1	bslbf
ext_downmixing_global_gains_status;	1	bslbf
ext_downmixing_lfe_level_status;	1	bslbf
reserved, set to "0000"	4	bslbf
if (ext_downmixing_levels_status == 1){		
dmix_a_idx;	3	bslbf
dmix_b_idx;	3	bslbf
reserved, set to "00"	2	bslbf
}		
if (ext_downmixing_global_gains_status == 1) {		
dmx_gain_5_sign;	1	bslbf
dmx_gain_5_idx;	6	bslbf
reserved, set to "0"	1	bslbf
dmx_gain_2_sign;	1	bslbf
dmx_gain_2_idx;	6	bslbf
reserved, set to "0"	1	bslbf
}		
if (ext_downmixing_lfe_level_status == 1) {		
dmix_lfe_idx;	4	bslbf
reserved, set to "0000"	4	bslbf
}		
}		

In 4.5.2.1.1 after::

data\_stream\_element()

Abbreviation DSE. Syntactic element that contains data. Again, there are 16 element\_instance\_tags. There is, however, no restriction on the number of data\_stream\_element()'s with any one instance tag, as a single data stream may continue across multiple data\_stream\_element()'s with the same instance tag.

Add:

The DSE may contain a MPEG4\_ancillary\_data element as described in Table AMD4.3.

In 4.5.2.1.4 Data stream element (DSE) after:

See ISO/IEC13818-7 (13818-7:2005, subclause 8.6 "Data Stream Element (DSE)").

Add:

A DSE containing a MPEG4\_ancillary\_data element shall have the same **element\_instance\_tag** as the first channel element it is associated to. It should follow after the last channel or SBR element it is associated to.

In 4.5.2.9.3 extend Table 4.121 "Values of the extension\_type field" as follows:

Table 4.121 – Values of the extension\_type field

Symbol	Value of extension_type	Purpose
EXT_FILL	'0000'	bitstream payload filler
EXT_FILL_DATA	'0001'	bitstream payload data as filler
EXT_DATA_ELEMENT	'0010'	data element
EXT_DATA_LENGTH	'0011'	container with explicit length for extension_payload()
EXT_LDSAC_DATA	'1001'	LD MPEG Surround
EXT_SAOC_DATA	'1010'	SAOC
EXT_DYNAMIC_RANGE	'1011'	dynamic range control
EXT_SAC_DATA	'1100'	MPEG Surround
EXT_SBR_DATA	'1101'	SBR enhancement
EXT_SBR_DATA_CRC	'1110'	SBR enhancement with CRC
EXT_SAOC_DE_DATA	'1111'	SAOC-DE
-	all other values	Reserved: These values can be used for a further extension of the syntax in a compatible way.

Note: Extension payloads of the type EXT\_FILL or EXT\_FILL\_DATA have to be added to the bitstream payload if the total bits for all audio data together with all additional data are lower than the minimum allowed number of bits in this frame necessary to reach the target bitrate. Those extension payloads are avoided under normal conditions and free bits are used to fill up the bit reservoir. Those extension payloads are written only if the bit reservoir is full.

In 4.5.2. "Decoding of the GA bitstream payloads", after 4.5.2.13, insert the following subclause:

4.5.2.14 MPEG4 ancillary data

4.5.2.14.1 Definitions

4.5.2.14.1.1 Data elements

**ancillary\_data\_sync** Indicates the presence of MPEG-4 Audio ancillary data and shall be set to 0xBC

**mpeg\_audio\_type** See Table AMD4.4

Table AMD4.4 - Definition of mpeg\_audio\_type

mpeg_audio_type	Description
"00"	Reserved
"01"	Reserved
"10"	Reserved
"11"	MPEG4 Audio data

**dolby\_surround\_mode** indicates whether a 2-ch stereo audio signal has been encoded in Dolby Surround. This field shall be set to "00" if the audio stream is not 2-channel stereo.

Table AMD4.5 - Definition of dolby\_surround\_mode

dolby_surround_mode	Description
"00"	Dolby surround mode not indicated
"01"	2-ch audio part is not Dolby surround encoded
"10"	2-ch audio part is Dolby surround encoded
"11"	Reserved

**drc\_presentation\_mode** Indicates whether **dynamic\_range\_info()** as defined in 4.5.2.7 shall be prioritized over dynamic range control transmitted in the **compression\_value** field. The DRC presentation mode should not be changed within one elementary stream.

Table AMD4.6 - Definition of drc\_presentation\_mode

drc_presentation_mode	Description
"00"	DRC presentation mode not indicated
"01"	DRC presentation mode 1
"10"	DRC presentation mode 2
"11"	Reserved

**stereo\_downmix\_mode** indicates a downmixing procedure

Table AMD4.7 - Definition of downmix procedure

stereo_downmix_mode	downmix procedure
0	Lo/Ro
1	Lt/Rt

**downmixing\_levels\_MPEG4\_status** indicates if downmixing\_levels\_MPEG4 exists

**ancillary\_data\_extension\_status** indicates if MPEG4\_ext\_ancillary\_data() exists

**audio\_coding\_mode\_and\_compression\_status** indicates if the associated fields exist

**coarse\_grain\_timecode\_status** indicates if coarse grain timecode information exists

<b>fine_grain_timecode_status</b>	indicates if coarse grain timecode information exists
<b>center_mix_level_on</b>	Indicates if the center_mix_level_value field carries information. If this field is set to "1" the center_mix_value field shall indicate the matrix mix down level of the center channel with respect to the left and right front channels. If this field is set to "0", the center_mix_level_value field shall be set to "000".
<b>center_mix_level_value</b>	indicates the multiplication factor for center channel if creating a 2-channel stereo downmix. See 4.5.2.1.12.2.1 for details
<b>surround_mix_level_on</b>	Indicates if the surround_mix_level_value field carries information. If this field is set to "1" the surround_mix_value shall indicate the matrix mix-down level of the surround channels with respect to the left and right front channels. If this field is set to "0", the surround_mix_level_value field shall be set to "000".
<b>surround_mix_level_value</b>	indicates the multiplication factor for surround channels if creating a 2-channel stereo downmix. See 4.5.2.1.12.2.1 for details.
<b>compression_on</b>	indicates if the compression_value field carries information. If this field is set to "1" the compression_value field indicates the heavy compression factor. If this field is set to "0", the compression_value field shall be set to "00000000".
<b>compression_value</b>	This field consists of a value X in the four msb's and a value Y in the four lsb's. The actual compression value is $48.164 - 6.0206 \times X - 0.4014 \times Y$ dB. The compression_value field indicates a heavy compression factor which may be applied instead of light compression data in dynamic_range_info() as defined in 4.5.2.7.
<b>coarse_grain_timecode</b>	carries coarse grain time code information
<b>fine_grain_timecode</b>	carries fine grain time code information
<b>ext_downmixing_levels_status</b>	indicates if ext_downmixing_levels() exists
<b>ext_downmixing_global_gains_status</b>	indicates if ext_downmixing_global_gains() exists
<b>ext_downmixing_lfe_level_status</b>	indicates if ext_downmixing_lfe_level() exists
<b>dmix_a_idx</b>	indicates an index for the generation of a 5-channel downmix as shown in Tables AMD4.8 and AMD4.10
<b>dmix_b_idx</b>	indicates an index for the generation of a 5-channel downmix as shown in Tables AMD4.8 and AMD4.10
<b>dmix_lfe_idx</b>	indicates an index for LFE handling during downmixing as shown in Table AMD4.9
<b>dmx_gain_5_sign</b>	Downmix loudness compensation gain sign information. One bit indicating the sign of the global downmix gain factor for a 5-channel downmix. (0 if positive, 1 if negative)

<b>dmx_gain_5_idx</b>	Downmix loudness compensation gain magnitude information for a 5-channel downmix
<b>dmx_gain_2_sign</b>	Downmix loudness compensation gain sign information. One bit indicating the sign of the global downmix gain factor for a 2-ch stereo downmix
<b>dmx_gain_2_idx</b>	Downmix loudness compensation gain magnitude information for a 2-ch stereo downmix

**dmx\_gain\_5\_idx** and **dmx\_gain\_2\_idx** are quantized in 0.25 dB steps using a 6-bit unsigned integer, and therefore, in association with **dmx\_gain\_5\_sign** and **dmx\_gain\_2\_sign**, have a range of +/-15.75 dB. They are interpreted as a gain value that shall be applied to the decoded audio output samples of all channels including LFE channels of the current frame.

Downmix indices should be present when multi-channel audio is transmitted, i.e. for 5-channel audio, **center\_mix\_level\_value** and **surround\_mix\_level\_value**, and for 7-channel audio in addition **dmix\_a\_idx** and **dmix\_b\_idx** are recommended.

#### 4.5.2.14.1.2

MPEG4 ancillary data as defined in this subclause shall be placed into a single `data_stream_element()` as defined in table 4.10. The `element_instance_tag` of this `data_stream_element()` shall have the same value as the `element_instance_tag` of the first audio element to which the ancillary data applies.

#### 4.5.2.14.2 Decoding process

Speaker abbreviations follow `outputChannelPosition` as defined in ISO/IEC 23001-8.

The decoder may use the **ancillary\_data\_sync** and **mpeg\_audio\_type** fields to verify the presence of MPEG-4 ancillary data.

The decoder should parse the **dolby\_surround\_mode** field and provide the information to the framework.

It is strongly recommended that the decoder parses the **drc\_presentation\_mode** field and applies the information as specified in 4.5.2.14.2.4.

If a 2-channel stereo down-mix is to be derived from a 5.0- or 5.1-channel audio signal, it is strongly recommended that the decoder applies the fields **center\_mix\_level\_on**, **center\_mix\_level\_value**, **surround\_mix\_level\_on**, **surround\_mix\_level\_value**, **dmix\_lfe\_idx** and **pseudo\_surround\_enable** as specified in 4.5.2.14.2.1. It is strongly recommended that the downmixing levels in these fields have priority over the matrix mix-down method specified in 4.5.1.2.2.

If a 5.0- or 5.1-channel down-mix is to be derived, it is strongly recommended that the decoder parses and applies the fields **dmix\_a\_idx**, **dmix\_b\_idx** as specified in 4.5.2.14.2.2.

If a 2-channel stereo downmix is to be derived from a 6.1 or 7.1 stream, it is strongly recommended that this is generated by downmixing the 5.0- or 5.1-channel down-mix to 2-channel stereo, i.e. it is strongly recommended that the downmixing procedures for 5 and 2 channels as specified in 4.5.2.14.2.2 and 4.5.2.14.2.1 are applied subsequently. It is strongly recommended that the global downmix gains as specified in 4.5.2.14.2.3 are used to compensate for loudness deviations after downmixing.

It is strongly recommended that the decoder parses the **compression\_on** and **compression\_value** fields. If **compression\_on** is set to "1", the decoder shall apply these values as required according to the DRC Presentation mode specified in 4.5.2.14.2.4.

4.5.2.14.2.1 Downmixing from 5.1 to Stereo

if **stereo\_downmix\_mode** is 0,

$$L' = L + C \times b + Ls \times a + LFE \times c$$

$$R' = R + C \times b + Rs \times a + LFE \times c$$

else if **stereo\_downmix\_mode** is 1,

$$L' = L + C \times b - (Ls + Rs) \times a + LFE \times c$$

$$R' = R + C \times b + (Ls + Rs) \times a + LFE \times c$$

where **surround\_mix\_level**, “a” and **center\_mix\_level**, “b” are shown as “Multiplication factor” in Table AMD4.8. C, L, R, Ls, Rs are the source signals and L’ and R’ are the derived stereo signals. LFE channels should be omitted from the mixdown (i.e. c is equal to zero) if **ext\_downmixing\_lfe\_level\_status** is “0”. If **ext\_downmixing\_lfe\_level\_status** is “1”, the LFE mix level “c” shall be derived as shown in Table AMD4.9.

Table AMD4.8 - Definition of mix level value

dmix_a_idx, dmix_b_idx surround_mix_level, “a” center_mix_level, “b”	Multiplication factor
000	1.0 (0dB)
001	0.841 (-1.5dB)
010	0.707 (-3dB)
011	0.596 (-4.5dB)
100	0.500 (-6dB)
101	0.422 (-7.5dB)
110	0.355 (-9dB)
111	0.000 (-∞dB)

Table AMD4.9 - Definition of LFE mix level value

dmix_lfe_idx	Multiplication factor
0000	3.162 (+10dB)
0001	2.000 (+6dB)
0010	1.679 (+4.5dB)
0011	1.413 (+3 dB)
0100	1.189 (+1.5dB)
0101	1.0 (0dB)
0110	0.841 (-1.5dB)
0111	0.707 (-3dB)
1000	0.596 (-4.5dB)
1001	0.500 (-6dB)
1010	0.316 (-10 dB)
1011	0.178 (-15dB)
1100	0.100 (-20dB)
1101	0.032 (-30dB)
1110	0.010 (-40dB)
1111	0.000 (-∞dB)

## 4.5.2.14.2.2 Downmixing from 6.1/7.1 to 5.1

Table AMD4.10 - Definition of downmixing\_levels

Channel Configuration	dmix_a_idx	dmix_b_idx
7.1 Back, 6.1	d1	d2
7.1 Front	e1	e2
7.1 Top	f1	f2

## 4.5.2.14.2.2.1 Downmixing from 7.1 Back to 5.1

$$C' = C$$

$$L' = L$$

$$R' = R$$

$$Ls' = Ls \times d1 + Lsr \times d2$$

$$Rs' = Rs \times d1 + Rsr \times d2$$

$$LFE' = LFE$$

where

surround mix level, "d1" and rear surround mix level, "d2" are shown in Table AMD4.10.

C, L, R, Ls, Rs, Lsr, Rsr, LFE are the source signals and C', L', R', Ls', Rs', LFE' are the derived 5.1 channel signals.

## 4.5.2.14.2.2.2 Downmixing from 7.1 Front to 5.1

$$C' = C + (Lc + Rc) \times e1$$

$$L' = L + Lc \times e2$$

$$R' = R + Rc \times e2$$

$$Ls' = Ls$$

$$Rs' = Rs$$

$$LFE' = LFE$$

where

center front mix level, "e1" and "e2" are shown in Table AMD4.10.

C, L, R, Lc, Rc, Ls, Rs, LFE are the source signals and C', L', R', Ls', Rs', LFE' are the derived 5.1 channel signals.