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# Information technology — Open Systems Interconnection — Network Service Definition

## AMENDMENT 5: Group Network addressing

### 0. Introduction

This Amendment to ISO/IEC 8348:1993 defines the concept of **group Network address**. ISO/IEC 8348:1993 defines the Network service access point (NSAP) address as an identifier for a single NSAP, supporting a Network service that is exclusively unicast (i.e., between a single source NSAP and a single destination NSAP). This Amendment does not change the definition of the NSAP address, but adds a new type of identifier - the group Network address - that supports a multicast Network service (i.e., between a single source NSAP, identified by an individual Network address, and a group of destination NSAPs, identified by a group Network address). The multicast Network service is itself defined in a separate Amendment to ISO/IEC 8348:1993.

This Amendment defines group Network addresses by creating a new set of AFI values, one for each existing AFI value, and a fixed one-to-one mapping between each of the existing AFI values and a corresponding group AFI value. The syntax of a group Network address is identical to the syntax of an individual Network address, except that the value of the AFI in an individual Network address may be only one of the values already allocated for individual Network addresses, whereas the value of the AFI in a group Network address may be only one of the values allocated for group Network addresses by this Amendment. The AFI values allocated for group Network addresses have been chosen in such a way that they do not overlap, in the preferred encoding defined by ISO/IEC 8348:1993, with any of the AFI values that have already been allocated for individual Network addresses.

### 1. Scope

*This Amendment makes no changes to clause 1 of ISO/IEC 8348:1993.*

### 2. References

*This Amendment makes no changes to clause 2 of ISO/IEC 8348:1993.*

### 3. Definitions

*Add two definitions as 3.4.X and 3.4.Y (after the present 3.4.10) and a Note within clause 3 of ISO/IEC 8348:1993 with the following text:*

**3.4.X group Network address:** an address that identifies a set of zero or more Network service access points; these may belong to multiple Network entities, in different end systems.

**3.4.Y individual Network address:** an address that identifies a single NSAP.

Note: - Where the distinction between a group Network address and an individual Network address is not important, the term NSAP address is used.

### 4. Abbreviations

*This Amendment makes no changes to clause 4 of ISO/IEC 8348:1993.*

### 5. Conventions

*This Amendment makes no changes to clause 5 of ISO/IEC 8348:1993.*

### 6. Overview and general characteristics

*Change point (e) of clause 6 from “(NSAP addressing)” to:  
(NSAP addressing and group Network addressing)*

### 7. Types and classes of Network Service

*This Amendment makes no changes to clause 7 of ISO/IEC 8348:1993.*

## PART 2 - DEFINITION OF CONNECTION-MODE SERVICE

*This Amendment makes no changes to clauses 8 through 14 of ISO/IEC 8348:1993.*

## PART 3 - DEFINITION OF CONNECTIONLESS-MODE SERVICE

*This Amendment makes no changes to clauses 15 through 19 of ISO/IEC 8348:1993.*

### A. Annex A.

#### A.1 General

*Add a paragraph to the end of clause A.1:*

In addition this annex defines the abstract syntax and semantics of the group Network address. The group Network address is used to support multicast services and is the address that may appear in the primitives of the connection-mode Network service as the called address parameter, and in the primitives of the connectionless-mode network service as the destination address parameter.

## A.2 Scope

*This Amendment makes no changes to clause A.2 of ISO/IEC 8348:1993.*

## A.3 Concepts and terminology

*Add to the third paragraph, first sentence of A.3.1.1 right after “another real subnetwork,”:*  
a particular group of real end systems on this real subnetwork,

*Add a new paragraph at the end of A.3.1.2:*

The values of the called address of the N-CONNECT primitive and the destination address parameter of the N-UNITDATA primitive are permitted to be group Network addresses. Calling address and responding address parameters of N-CONNECT primitives and source address parameters of N-UNITDATA primitives are never permitted to be group Network addresses.

## A.4 Principles for creating the OSI Network addressing scheme

*This Amendment makes no changes to clause A.4 of ISO/IEC 8348:1993.*

## A.5 Network address definition

*Replace the first sentence in the second paragraph of A.5.2.1:*

The abstract syntax of the AFI is two hexadecimal digits. The abstract syntax for the IDI is decimal digits.

*Replace the word “decimal” in the current second sentence in the second paragraph of A.5.2.1 with:*

hexadecimal

*Add a new sentence to the second paragraph of clause A.5.2.1 after the third sentence (ending with “...normally carries a complete NSAP address.”):*

Similarly, if the first two digits of the IDP are hexadecimal FF, this indicates the presence of an incomplete group Network address.

*Replace the entire clause of A.5.2.1.1:*

The AFI has an abstract syntax of two hexadecimal digits with a value in the range of 00 to FF. The values of the AFI are allocated or reserved as shown in Table A-1, A-X and A-Y.

*Rename Table A-1 to:*

Individual AFI allocations

*Replace the value range 00-09 in Table A-1 to:*

00-0F

*Replace the value range 10-35 in Table A-1 to:*

10-19, 20-29, 30-35

*Replace the value range 36-59 in Table A-1 to:*

36-39, 40-49, 50-59

*Replace the value range 80-99 in Table A-1 to:*

80-89, 90-99

**Replace “as summarized in Table A-2” at the end of the first sentence of A.5.2.1.2 with:**

as summarized for use in individual addresses in Table A-2 (the corresponding AFI values for use in group addresses is found via Table A-X)

**Add a new paragraph at the end of A.5.2.1.2:**

The allocation of group addresses is restricted to be only from the AFI values allocated for the assignment of group addresses in Table A-X. An addressing authority in allocating either Network addresses or authorizing one or more authorities to allocate addresses, allocates both individual and the corresponding group addresses. Addresses assigned with an AFI value allocated for group addresses are only to be used for group addresses.

**Rename Table A-2 to:**

AFI values for individual Network addresses

**Replace point (a) in the beginning of A.5.3 with the following text (this is the first point (a) of this clause):**

a) The AFI, with an abstract syntax of two hexadecimal digits.

**Replace A.5.3 point (a) of the preferred binary encoding (this is the second point (a) of this clause) with:**

using two semi-octets to represent the two digits of the AFI, yielding a value for each semi-octet in the range 0000-1111.

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Provide two new tables: Table A-X and Table A-Y between the present Table A-1 and Table A-2:

Table A-X - Relationship of AFI Individual and Group values

<i>Individual Group</i>		<i>Individual Group</i>		<i>Individual Group</i>	
0x	FF				
10	A0	40	BE	70	DC
11	A1	41	BF	71	DD
12	A2	42	C0	72	DE
13	A3	43	C1	73	DF
14	A4	44	C2	74	E0
15	A5	45	C3	75	E1
16	A6	46	C4	76	E2
17	A7	47	C5	77	E3
18	A8	48	C6	78	E4
19	A9	49	C7	79	E5
20	AA	50	C8	80	E6
21	AB	51	C9	81	E7
22	AC	52	CA	82	E8
23	AD	53	CB	83	E9
24	AE	54	CC	84	EA
25	AF	55	CD	85	EB
26	B0	56	CE	86	EC
27	B1	57	CF	87	ED
28	B2	58	D0	88	EE
29	B3	59	D1	89	EF
30	B4	60	D2	90	F0
31	B5	61	D3	91	F1
32	B6	62	D4	92	F2
33	B7	63	D5	93	F3
34	B8	64	D6	94	F4
35	B9	65	D7	95	F5
36	BA	66	D8	96	F6
37	BB	67	D9	97	F7
38	BC	68	DA	98	F8
39	BD	69	DB	99	F9

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Table A-Y - AFI values reserved for future allocation

1A-1F
2A-2F
3A-3F
4A-4F
5A-5F
6A-6F
7A-7F
8A-8F
9A-9F
FA-FE

#### A.6 Character based DSP allocation

*This Amendment makes no changes to clause A.6 of ISO/IEC 8348:1993.*

#### A.7 Reference publication format

*Replace the first phrase (up to and including the first comma) of the second sentence in the first paragraph of A.7 with:*

It consists of two hexadecimal digits which represent the AFI, followed by a string of decimal digits which is a direct representation of the IDI,

*Replace "string of decimal digits representing the IDP" of the last sentence in the first paragraph of A.7 with:*

string of two hexadecimal digits representing the AFI, followed by a string of decimal digits representing the IDI

#### A.8 Network entity titles

*Add a new paragraph to the end of clause A.8:*

A Network Entities Group Title identifies a group of Network entities. Membership of a given such group may change over time. Group Network addresses are used to identify either such a title or a group of NSAPs.

## B. Annex B.

*Change the title of clause B.2 in ISO/IEC 8348 to:*

### **B.2 Reservation of AFI values 00-0F and FF (Table A-2)**

*Replace the first sentence of clause B.2 with:*

The reservation of AFI values beginning with the digit 0 and the AFI value of FF is intended to allow for their use in handling special cases, such as:

*Replace "initial zero digit" in the first sentence of the last paragraph of clause B.2 with:*

initial zero digit or the value FF

*Replace "the AFI values 00-09," in the last sentence of clause B.2 with:*

these AFI values,

## C. Annex C.

*This Amendment makes no changes to Annex C of ISO/IEC 8348:1993.*

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