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## Introduction

### Motivation

In traditional channel-based audio mixing, sound elements are mixed to the fixed speaker channels, i.e. left, right, centre, left surround and right surround. This paradigm is well known and works when the channel configuration at the decoding end can be predetermined, or assumed with reasonable certainty to be 2.0, 5.X, or 7.X.

However, with the popularity of new speaker setups, no assumption can be made about the speaker setup used for playback. Therefore, channel-based audio does not offer a sufficient method for adapting a presentation where the source speaker layout does not match the speaker layout at the decoding end. This presents a challenge when trying to author content that plays back well independently to the speaker configuration.

In object-based audio, individual sound elements are delivered to the playback device, where they are rendered based on the used speaker layout. Because individual sound elements can be associated with a much richer set of metadata, giving meaning to the elements, the method of adaptation to the speaker configuration reproducing the audio can provide better information regarding how to render to fewer speakers.

Enhanced AC-3 (E-AC-3), defined in ETSI TS 102 366 [1], is a widely used format for transmission of channel-based audio content. When the goal is to transport object-based audio in an environment where compatibility with pre-existing devices is paramount, joint object coding (JOC), as specified in the present document, can be used in conjunction with E-AC-3.

## Document structure

The present document is structured as follows:

- Clause 4 explains the concept of object-based audio and specifies the decoder interface.
- Clause 5 specifies object audio metadata (OAMD), the object-based audio metadata format.
- Annex B specifies how OAMD can be converted to an audio definition model (ADM), providing an interconnection to the professional metadata generation and monitoring.
- Clause 6 specifies the JOC tool that converts the output of an E-AC-3 decoder to objects, as specified in ETSI TS 102 366 [1].
- Clause 7 specifies the quadrature mirror filter bank (QMF) tool that is used by the JOC tool.



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# 1 Scope

The present document specifies an extension to the E-AC-3 codec.

The extension adds an object-based three-dimensional spatial representation of coded audio information and metadata. It is backward compatible with the one- and two-dimensional channel-based spatial representation of coded audio information as defined in ETSI TS 102 366 [1].

**NOTE:** In this context, backward compatibility is defined as follows: The three-dimensional spatial representation specified in the present document can be decoded on a device compliant with the syntax and semantics specified in ETSI TS 102 366 [1]. In this case, such a device will output one- or two-dimensional channel-based audio as per the coding algorithm defined in ETSI TS 102 366 [1] alone. Thus, support for decoders specified in ETSI TS 102 366 [1] and associated user experiences are fully maintained with the extension defined herein.

The present document specifies the following:

- 1) Syntax and semantics of the object-based audio metadata, carried via the extensible metadata delivery format (EMDF), specified in ETSI TS 102 366 [1].
- 2) Syntax and semantics of metadata to control a tool for conversion of one- or two-dimensional channel-based audio to a higher number of audio signals, part of the three-dimensional spatial representation (JOC).
- 3) Additional requirements on the E-AC-3 decoder as specified in ETSI TS 102 366 [1].
- 4) Requirements on the object-based audio interface.
- 5) Requirements on the JOC tool.
- 6) Requirements on the QMF tool.
- 7) Informative guidance for conversion from 1) to the ADM as defined in Recommendation ITU-R BS.2076 [i.1].

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- [1] ETSI TS 102 366: "Digital Audio Compression (AC-3, Enhanced AC-3) Standard".

## 2.2 Informative references

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[i.1] Recommendation ITU-R BS.2076: "Audio Definition Model".

## 3 Definitions, symbols, abbreviations and conventions

### 3.1 Definitions

For the purposes of the present document, the following terms and definitions apply:

**audio definition model:** metadata model describing format and content of audio files, specified in Recommendation ITU-R BS.2076 [i.1]

**bed instance:** group of objects with speaker-anchored coordinates which can be used to carry pre-mixed audio content such as complex ambiance or music

**channel:** label that is used to assign an audio signal to a dedicated speaker position

**channel-based audio:** audio content that is presented by one or more audio signals and a corresponding channel configuration

**channel configuration:** audio content in one channel configuration entirely composed of audio signals in that configuration

**coefficient:** multiplicative factor in some term of a polynomial, a series or any expression

**codec:** computer program or device capable of encoding or decoding a digital data stream or signal

**decoder interface:** interoperability point of a decoder, accepting input data, providing output data, or both

**dynamic object:** object with positional metadata that may vary over time and is described by three coordinates (x, y, z)

**enhanced AC-3:** format for audio data, specified in ETSI TS 102 366 [1]

**extensible metadata delivery format:** metadata transmission container format, specified in ETSI TS 102 366 [1]

**frame:** one decodable unit of audio data, consisting of a sequence of bits

**frame rate:** rate of frames encoded, decoded or transmitted in real-time operation

**intermediate spatial format:** format for encoding a scene by hierarchical components

**joint object coding:** algorithm used to efficiently code object-based audio

**low-frequency effects (channel):** band-limited channel specifically intended for deep, low-pitched sounds

**object audio metadata:** format for coding and carrying object audio properties

**object:** audio signal (the object essence) plus associated object audio properties (carried as object audio metadata)

**object-based audio:** audio content that is composed of objects

**object essence:** part of the object that is PCM coded

**object property:** one of a group of object properties, as specified in the present document, which indicate the content producer's intention of how the object essence should be rendered to a reproduction speaker system

**(object) property update:** one update of the object properties for one object

**(object) property update information:** common timing information for a property update for all objects, i.e. a group of property updates

**parameter band:** grouping of one or more QMF subbands sharing common parameters

**pulse code modulation:** standard method used to digitally represent sampled analogue signals

**quadrature mirror filter bank:** process in which a time-domain signal is transformed into the frequency domain and split into a filter bank comprising a number of frequency bands

**QMF (sub)band:** one row in a QMF matrix, representing a filtered and subsampled signal

**QMF timeslot:** one column in a QMF matrix, representing QMF subbands sampled at the same point in time

**rendering:** processing of audio content to adapt it to specific speaker layouts

**room-anchored coordinates:** coordinates specifying a position relative to a coordinate system that is fixed with respect to a room

**screen-anchored coordinates:** coordinates specifying a position relative to a coordinate system that is fixed with respect to the display surface in a room

**speaker-anchored coordinates:** coordinates specifying a position by choosing one speaker in a specific speaker layout

**speaker feed:** audio signal designated to be played back by a specific speaker

**zone:** sub-room located inside the listening room

## 3.2 Symbols

For the purposes of the present document, the following symbols apply:

$\lceil x \rceil$	round $x$ towards plus infinity
$\lfloor x \rfloor$	round $x$ towards minus infinity
$i$	the imaginary unit

## 3.3 Abbreviations

For the purposes of the present document, the following abbreviations apply:

ADM	Audio Definition Model
E-AC-3	Enhanced AC-3
EMDF	Extensible Metadata Delivery Format
ISF	Intermediate Spatial Format
JOC	Joint Object Coding
LFE	Low-Frequency Effects (Channel)
LFH	Left Front Height
LRH	Left Rear Height
LRS	Left Rear Surround
LSB	Least Significant Bit
LSS	Left Side Surround
LTM	Left Top Middle
LW	Left Wide
MSB	Most Significant Bit
MULZ	Middle Upper Lower Zenith
OAMD	Object Audio Metadata
PCM	Pulse Code Modulation
QMF	Quadrature Mirror Filter Bank

RFH	Right Front Height
RRH	Right Rear Height
RRS	Right Rear Surround
RSS	Right Side Surround
RTM	Right Top Middle
RW	Right Wide
SR	Stacked Ring

## 3.4 Conventions

Unless otherwise stated, the following conventions are used in the present document.

Typographic conventions:

- Italic font denotes variables (*n* is a variable).
- Monospace font denotes bitstream elements (`bits` is a bitstream element).

Function prototypes can take scalars, vectors, or matrices as argument and operate element-wise. The return type is either scalar or of the same form as the argument.

<code>min(x)</code>	The minimum value of the elements of <i>x</i>
<code>max(x)</code>	The maximum value of the elements of <i>x</i>
<code>floor(x)</code>	The largest integer(s) less than or equal to the elements of <i>x</i>
<code>mod(a,b)</code>	Denotes the remainder of <i>a</i> after division by <i>b</i>
<code>cos(x)</code>	The cosine of the elements of <i>x</i>
<code>sin(x)</code>	The sine of the elements of <i>x</i>
<code>exp(x)</code>	The exponential value of the elements of <i>x</i>

NOTE 1: The return value of `exp()` can be complex valued.

NOTE 2: The return value of `mod()` can have a fractional part.

# 4 Object-based audio

## 4.1 Introduction

Object-based audio gives content creators more control over how content is rendered to loudspeakers in consumer homes.

In channel-based audio coding, a set of tracks is implicitly assigned to specific loudspeakers by associating the set of tracks with a channel configuration. If the playback speaker configuration is different from the coded channel configuration, downmixing or upmixing specifications are required to redistribute audio to the available speakers. In object-based audio coding, rendering is applied to objects that comprise the object essence in conjunction with metadata that contains individually assigned object properties. The properties more explicitly specify how the content creator intends the audio content to be rendered (that is, they place constraints on how to render the essence into speakers).

## 4.2 Coordinate systems

### 4.2.1 Room-anchored coordinate system

The room-anchored coordinate system is a left-handed Cartesian system normalized to the room cuboid.

Coordinates are specified using three components:

- The *x* component increases from  $x = 0$  at the left wall to  $x = 1$  at the right wall.
- The *y* component increases from  $y = 0$  at the front wall to  $y = 1$  at the back wall.

- The z component increases from  $z = -1$  at the floor to  $z = 1$  at the ceiling.

EXAMPLE: An object at the centre of the front wall has coordinates (0,5; 0; 0).

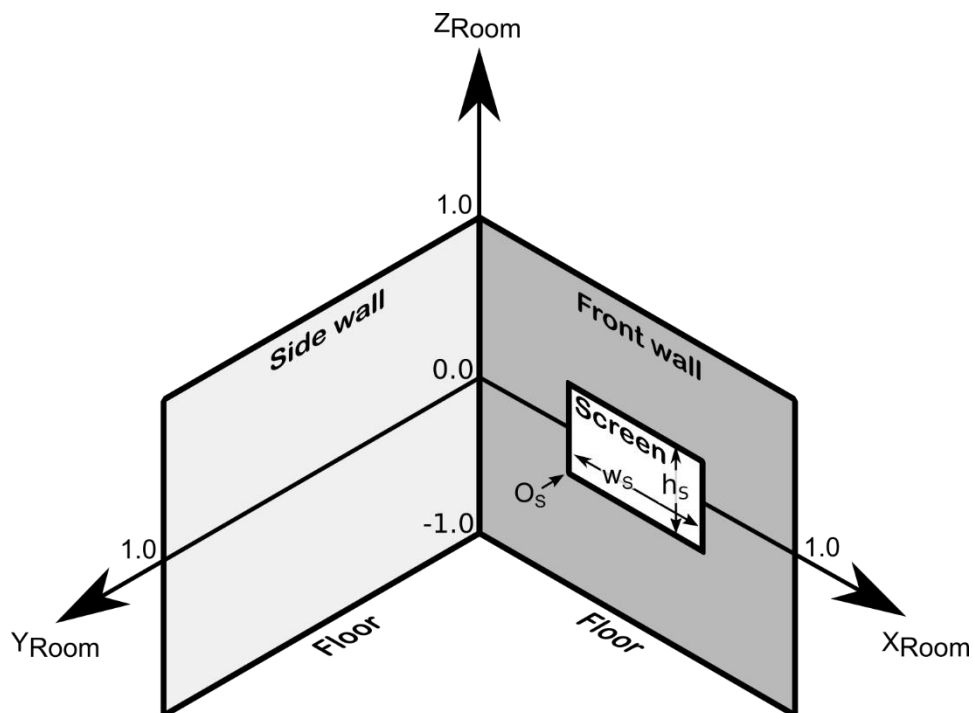


Figure 1: Room-anchored coordinate system

$w_s$  and  $h_s$  are the dimensions of the screen, and  $\mathbf{O}_s$  is the position of the bottom left screen corner.

Objects can also be outside the room.

NOTE: Object position is not bounded, though the coded representation imposes progressively coarser quantization at greater distances.

## 4.2.2 Screen-anchored coordinate system

In this coordinate system, the physical location of an object at a given coordinate changes with screen size and screen location.

- The x component increases from  $x = 0$  at the left screen edge to  $x = 1$  at the right screen edge.
- The y component increases from  $y = 0$  at the front wall to  $y = 1$  at the back wall.
- The z component increases from  $z = -1$  at the bottom screen edge to  $z = 1$  at the top screen edge.

The following formula translates screen-anchored coordinates  $(X_{\text{screen}}; Y_{\text{screen}}; Z_{\text{screen}})$  to room-anchored coordinates:

$$(X_{\text{room}}; Y_{\text{room}}; Z_{\text{room}}) = \mathbf{O}_s + \left( \frac{w_s}{\text{ref\_screen\_ratio}} \times X_{\text{screen}}; Y_{\text{screen}}; \frac{h_s}{2 \times \text{ref\_screen\_ratio}} \times (Z_{\text{screen}} + 1) \right)$$

where  $w_s$ ,  $h_s$  and  $\mathbf{O}_s$  are specified in clause 4.2.1 and `ref_screen_ratio` is specified in clause 5.6.1.1.1 and clause 5.6.1.1.2.

EXAMPLE: An object at the centre of the left screen edge has screen-referenced coordinates  $(0; 0; 0)_{\text{screen}}$  and room-referenced coordinates  $(O_{s_x}; O_{s_y}; O_{s_z} + \frac{h_s}{2})_{\text{room}}$ .

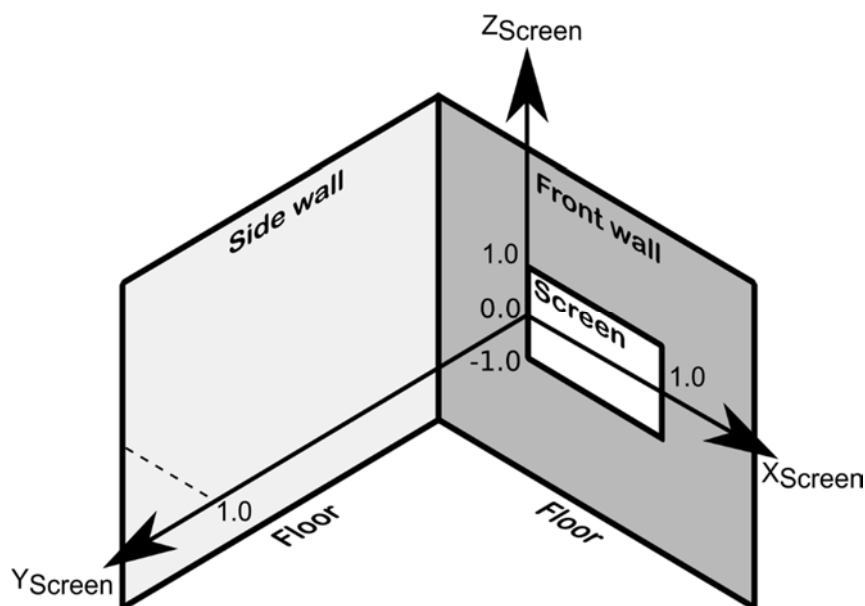


Figure 2: Screen-anchored coordinate system

### 4.2.3 Speaker-anchored system

In this system, the coordinates of the object are indicated by referring to a specific speaker, meaning the physical location of the object changes with the actual speaker placement.

This system is typically used with objects contained in bed instances.

**NOTE:** If there is no speaker at the referenced position, the physical object position can be interpolated between nearby speakers in the room.

**EXAMPLE:** In a 2.0 set-up, an object at "L" is rendered from the left speaker. An object at "C" is located mid-way between the L and R speakers, and may be rendered by panning.

## 4.3 Decoding of object-based audio content

Object-based audio content is signalled using a specific configuration of the E-AC-3 bitstream.

The decoder shall decode the incoming object-based audio content as specified in the present document, if the following requirements are met:

- The metadata payloads of JOC and OAMD are present as specified in clause 8.2.
- The incoming channel configuration is supported by the JOC tool, as specified in clause 6.3.2.2.

The decoder shall decode the incoming object-based audio content by performing the following steps:

- 1) Decode the channel-based audio from the incoming E-AC-3 bitstream, as specified in clause 8.1.
- 2) Transform the time domain signals to the QMF domain, as specified in clause 7.2.
- 3) Utilize the JOC decoder tool, as specified in clause 6, to reconstruct the object essences from the channel-based downmix.
- 4) Transform the QMF samples of the object essences to the time domain, as specified in clause 7.3.
- 5) Decode the object properties as specified in clause 5.2.
- 6) Provide the pulse code modulation (PCM) object essences and the metadata for the object properties at the decoder interface, specified in clause 4.4.

## 4.4 Decoder interface

The decoder shall provide an interface for the object-based audio comprising object essence audio data and time-stamped metadata updates for the corresponding object properties.

At the interface the decoder shall provide the decoded per-object metadata in time stamped updates. For each update the decoder shall provide the data specified in the *metadata\_update* structure in the following pseudo-code.

### Pseudocode 1

---

```

// metadata_update data structure //
struct {
    t_timing          timing_data;
    t_position        position_update;
    t_size            size_update;
    t_priority        priority_update;
    t_gain            gain_update;
    t_channel_lock    channel_lock_update;
    t_zone_constraints zone_constraints_update;
} metadata_update;

// declaration //
enum coordinate_system {
    ROOM,
    SCREEN,
    SPEAKER,
}

enum speaker_labels {
    RC_L, // room-centric left
    RC_R, // room-centric right
    RC_C, // room-centric centre
    RC_LFE, // room-centric low frequency effect
    RC_LSS, // room-centric left surround
    RC_RSS, // room-centric right surround
    RC_LRS, // room-centric left rear surround
    RC_RRS, // room-centric right rear surround
    RC_LFH, // room-centric left front height
    RC_RFH, // room-centric right front height
    RC_LTM, // room-centric left top middle
    RC_RTM, // room-centric right top middle
    RC_LRH, // room-centric left rear height
    RC_RRH, // room-centric right rear height
    RC_LW, // room-centric left wide
    RC_RW, // room-centric right wide
    RC_LFE2, // room-centric low frequency effects 2
}

enum zone {
    SCREEN_ZONE,
    SIDE_ZONE,
    SURROUND_ZONE,
    BACK_ZONE,
    CENTRE_AND_BACK_ZONE,
    TOP_AND_BOTTOM_ZONE,
    ZONE_COUNT = 6
}

enum zone_constraints {
    INCLUDE,
    EXCLUDE,
}

// type definitions //
typedef struct {
    unsigned start_sample;
    unsigned frame_offset;
    unsigned ramp_duration;
} t_timing;

typedef union {
    struct {
        float x;
        float y;
        float z;
    }
}

```

```

    } 3D_coordinates;
    unsigned speaker_label; // one of enum speaker_labels
} t_coordinates;

typedef struct {
    unsigned anchor; // one of enum coordinate_system
    t_coordinates coordinates;
    float screen_factor;
    float depth_factor;
    float ref_screen_ratio;
} t_position;

typedef struct {
    float width;
    float depth;
    float height;
} t_size;

typedef float          t_priority;
typedef float          t_gain;
typedef boolean        t_channel_lock;
typedef unsigned[ZONE_COUNT] t_zone_constraints; // each one of enum zone_constraint

```

---

The decoded per-object metadata corresponds to the object properties, as specified in clause 5.2. The timing of the updates correspond to the temporal context of metadata updates, as specified in clause 5.3.

NOTE: Table B.10 lists room-anchored coordinates of speakers for the *speaker\_labels*.

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## 5 Object audio metadata

### 5.1 Introduction

OAMD is the coded bitstream representation of the metadata for object-based audio processing.

The OAMD bitstream is carried inside an EMDF container, specified in ETSI TS 102 366 [1].

The present document specifies:

- the object properties in clause 5.2;
- the timing concept within the OAMD bitstream in clause 5.3;
- the structure of the OAMD bitstream in clause 5.4;
- the OAMD bitstream syntax in clause 5.5;
- the bitstream elements contained in the OAMD bitstream in clause 5.6.

The OAMD bitstream elements signal:

- object properties metadata, as specified in clause 5.6.1;
- timing metadata, as specified in clause 5.6.2;
- OAMD content description metadata, as specified in clause 5.6.3;
- other metadata, as specified in clause 5.6.4.



## 5.2 Object properties

### 5.2.1 Position

#### 5.2.1.1 Introduction

The position property is the data that is provided as *position\_update* at the decoder interface.

The position property of an object is specified differently for the following cases:

- 1) The object is not contained in a bed instance and *b\_object\_use\_screen\_ref*=0; position property is specified in clause 5.2.1.2.
- 2) The object is not contained in a bed instance and *b\_object\_use\_screen\_ref*=1; position property is specified in clause 5.2.1.3.
- 3) The object is contained in a bed instance; position property is specified in clause 5.2.1.4.

NOTE: Clause 5.6.4.12 specifies how to determine if an object is contained in a bed instance.

Table 1 lists the related bitstream elements and their reference.

**Table 1: Position related bitstream elements**

Bitstream element	Reference
<i>b_use_screen_ref</i>	Clause 5.6.1.1.18
<i>pos3D_X_bits</i>	Clause 5.6.1.1.8
<i>pos3D_Y_bits</i>	Clause 5.6.1.1.9
<i>pos3D_Z_bits</i>	Clause 5.6.1.1.11
<i>pos3D_Z_sign_bits</i>	Clause 5.6.1.1.10
<i>b_differential_position_specified</i>	Clause 5.6.1.1.7
<i>diff_pos3D_X_bits</i>	Clause 5.6.1.1.12
<i>diff_pos3D_Y_bits</i>	Clause 5.6.1.1.13
<i>diff_pos3D_Z_bits</i>	Clause 5.6.1.1.14
<i>b_object_distance_specified</i>	Clause 5.6.1.1.15
<i>b_object_at_infinity</i>	Clause 5.6.1.1.16
<i>distance_factor_idx</i>	Clause 5.6.1.1.17
<i>b_use_screen_ref</i>	Clause 5.6.1.1.18
<i>screen_factor_bits</i>	Clause 5.6.1.1.19
<i>depth_factor_idx</i>	Clause 5.6.1.1.20
<i>b_standard_chan_assign</i>	Clause 5.6.1.1.3
<i>bed_channel_assignment_mask</i>	Clause 5.6.1.1.4
<i>nonstd_bed_channel_assignment_mask</i>	Clause 5.6.1.1.5
<i>b_lfe_only</i>	Clause 5.6.1.1.6

#### 5.2.1.2 Position in room-anchored coordinates

The decoder shall set *anchor* = ROOM.

Let  $\mathbf{C} = (\text{pos3D\_X}; \text{pos3D\_Y}; \text{pos3D\_Z})$ .

If *b\_object\_distance\_specified* is false, the position  $P(x_{\text{Room}}, y_{\text{Room}}, z_{\text{Room}})$  of the object shall be determined as  $\mathbf{P} = \mathbf{C}$ .

NOTE 1: In this case the object is located inside the room.

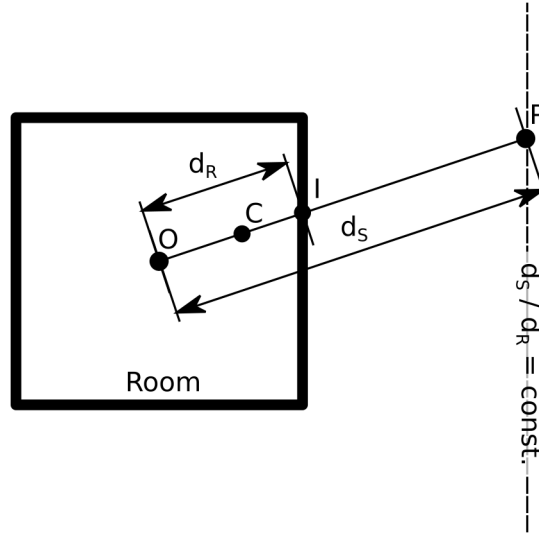
If *b\_object\_distance\_specified* is true, the position  $P$  of the object shall be determined as follows:

- 1)  $\mathbf{O} = (0,5; 0,5; 0)$ .
- 2) Let  $\mathbf{I}$  be the point where ray  $\mathbf{O} - \mathbf{C}$  intersects the room boundaries as shown in figure 3.

3)  $\mathbf{P} = \text{distance\_factor} \times \mathbf{I} + (1 - \text{distance\_factor}) \times \mathbf{O}$ , where  $\text{distance\_factor} = \frac{d_s}{d_r}$ .

NOTE 2: In this case the object is located outside the room.

The decoder shall set  $3D\_coordinates$  to the three dimensional coordinates  $(x_{Room}; y_{Room}; z_{Room})$  of the position  $P$ .



**Figure 3: Projection of a room-anchored position to a position outside the room**

The room anchored coordinate system is specified in clause 4.2.1.

### 5.2.1.3 Position in screen-anchored coordinates

The decoder shall set *anchor* = SCREEN.

The position  $\mathbf{P}(x_{Screen}; y_{Screen}; z_{Screen})$  shall be determined as  $\mathbf{P} = (\text{pos3D\_X}; \text{pos3D\_Y}; \text{pos3D\_Z})$

The decoder shall set  $3D\_coordinates$  at the decoder interface to the three dimensional coordinates  $(x_{Screen}; y_{Screen}; z_{Screen})$  of the position  $\mathbf{P}$ .

Position  $\mathbf{P}$  together with *screen\_factor* and *depth\_factor* can be used to flexibly vary between a screen-anchored and a room-anchored position. A position  $\mathbf{P}_{interpolated}$  can be determined as follows:

- 1) Let  $\mathbf{C}_R = \mathbf{O}_S + \left( \frac{w_S}{\text{ref\_screen\_ratio}} \times X_{\text{screen}}, Y_{\text{screen}}; \frac{h_S}{2 \times \text{ref\_screen\_ratio}} \times (Z_{\text{screen}} + 1) \right)$  be the transformation of screen-anchored coordinates to the room-anchored system as specified in clause 4.2.2.
- 2) Let  $\mathbf{C}_S = P$ .
- 3) Let  $\mathbf{M}_1 = \begin{vmatrix} \text{screen\_factor} & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & \text{screen\_factor} \end{vmatrix}$ .
- 4) Let  $\mathbf{M}_2 = \begin{vmatrix} y^{\text{depth\_factor}} & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & y^{\text{depth\_factor}} \end{vmatrix}$ .
- 5) Let  $\mathbf{I} = \begin{vmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{vmatrix}$  be the 3x3 identity matrix.
- 6)  $\mathbf{P}_{interpolated} = \mathbf{M}_2 \times (\mathbf{M}_1 \times \mathbf{C}_S + (\mathbf{I} - \mathbf{M}_1) \times \mathbf{C}_R) + (\mathbf{I} - \mathbf{M}_2) \times \mathbf{C}_R$ .

The screen-anchored coordinate system is specified in clause 4.2.2.

### 5.2.1.4 Position in speaker-anchored coordinates

The decoder shall set *anchor* = SPEAKER.

For a bed instance the coordinate of each contained object is indicated by the *bed\_channel\_assignment*.

The *bed\_channel\_assignment* is a list of speaker labels that indicate a speaker-anchored coordinate. Objects contained in the bed instance are mapped to the speaker labels in the same order. Each object has one coordinate, e.g. one speaker label.

EXAMPLE: For a bed instance containing the objects (*obj0*, *obj1*, *obj2*, *obj3*, *obj4*, *obj5*) the speaker-anchored coordinates are indicated by the *bed\_channel\_assignment* = (RC\_L, RC\_R, RC\_C, RC\_LFE, R\_LSS, LC\_RLS). In this case the coordinate of *obj0* is 'RC\_L', the coordinate of *obj1* is 'RC\_R', and so on.

For each object contained in a bed instance, the decoder shall set *speaker\_label* to the coordinate indicated by the corresponding *bed\_channel\_assignment*.

The speaker-anchored coordinate system is specified in clause 4.2.3.

## 5.2.2 Size

The size property is the data that is provided as *size* at the decoder interface.

The size property comprises the three values (width; depth; height) that indicate the apparent 3-dimensional spatial extent of the object.

Width, depth and height can be controlled independently along the three axes x, y and z of the coordinate system and are bounded by [0; 1], in units of the coordinate system's dimensions.

The size property shall be set as:

(width; depth; height) = (object\_width; object\_depth; object\_height).

EXAMPLE 1: If all size properties are one, the object is as wide as the room.

EXAMPLE 2: If all size properties are zero, the object is a point source.

EXAMPLE 3: If two of the size properties are zero, it extends along a line.

EXAMPLE 4: If only one of the size properties is zero, it is a rectangle.

EXAMPLE 5: If all sizes are non-zero and equal, the object is a cube; otherwise it is a rectangular cuboid.

Table 2 lists the related bitstream elements and their reference.

**Table 2: Object size related bitstream elements**

Bitstream element	Reference
object_size_idx	Clause 5.6.1.2.1
object_size_bits	Clause 5.6.1.2.2
object_width_bits	Clause 5.6.1.2.3
object_depth_bits	Clause 5.6.1.2.4
object_height_bits	Clause 5.6.1.2.5

## 5.2.3 Priority

The priority property is the data that is provided as *priority* at the decoder interface.

The priority property shall be set to *object\_priority*. It imposes an ordering by importance where higher priority indicates higher importance and is bounded by [0; 1].

Table 3 lists the related bitstream elements and their reference.

**Table 3: Object priority related bitstream elements**

Bitstream element	Reference
b_default_priority	Clause 5.6.1.3.1
object_priority_bits	Clause 5.6.1.3.2

## 5.2.4 Gain

The gain property is the data that is provided as *gain* at the decoder interface.

The gain property value shall be set to *object\_gain*. The gain property can be used to apply a custom gain value to an object. It is bounded by  $[-\infty\text{dB}; +15\text{dB}]$ .

Table 4 lists the related bitstream elements and their reference.

**Table 4: Object gain related bitstream elements**

Bitstream element	Reference
object_gain_idx	Clause 5.6.1.4.1
object_gain_bits	Clause 5.6.1.4.2

## 5.2.5 Channel lock

The channel lock property is the data that is provided as *channel\_lock* at the decoder interface.

Channel lock shall be set to b\_object\_snap. Channel lock is a Boolean property that can be used to constrain rendering of an object to a single speaker, providing a non-diffuse, timbre-neutral reproduction. True indicates that the object rendering is constrained to a single speaker; false indicates that panning may be used.

Table 5 lists the related bitstream element and its reference.

**Table 5: Object snap related bitstream elements**

Bitstream element	Reference
b_object_snap	Clause 5.6.1.5.1

## 5.2.6 Zone constraints

The zone constraints property is the data that is provided in *zone\_constraints\_update* at the decoder interface.

The list *zone\_constraints* specifies zone constraints (include or exclude) for the following zones:

- Screen zone.
- Side zone.
- Surround zone.
- Back zone.
- Centre-and-back zone.
- Top-Bottom zone.

NOTE: Zones may be defined by a list of speakers as listed in table A.7, or by a sub-volume of the room, as specified in table B.19.

Based on the values of `zone_constraints_idx` and `b_enable_elevation`, the decoder shall create a `zone_constraints` list that indicates the zone constraints (include or exclude) for each zone.

EXAMPLE: If `zone_constraints_idx=2` and `b_enable_elevation` is false, the side zone and the Top-Bottom zone are excluded. The `zone_constraints` list for this case is listed in table 6.

**Table 6: zone\_constraints list when `zone_constraints_idx=2` and `b_enable_elevation` is false**

Zone	Zone constraints
Screen zone	include
Side zone	exclude
Surround zone	include
Back zone	include
Centre-and-back zone	include
Top-Bottom zone	exclude

Table 7 lists the related bitstream elements and their reference.

**Table 7: Object zone constraints related bitstream elements**

Bitstream element	Reference
<code>zone_constraints_idx</code>	Clause 5.6.1.6.1
<code>b_enable_elevation</code>	Clause 5.6.1.6.2

## 5.3 Property update information

### 5.3.1 Introduction

The Property Update Information contains the data that is provided as *timing\_data* at the decoder interface.

The OAMD bitstream supports multiple updates of the object properties per codec frame. The bitstream contains timing information corresponding to these updates. In the context of this clause, *previous* and *subsequent* refer to the temporal dimension (i.e. the "subsequent update" is an update for the same object, at a later time).

EXAMPLE: Three sequential update blocks *previous*, *current* and *subsequent* have the start times:  
 $\text{start\_time}_{\text{previous}} < \text{start\_time}_{\text{current}} < \text{start\_time}_{\text{subsequent}}$

### 5.3.2 Timing of property updates

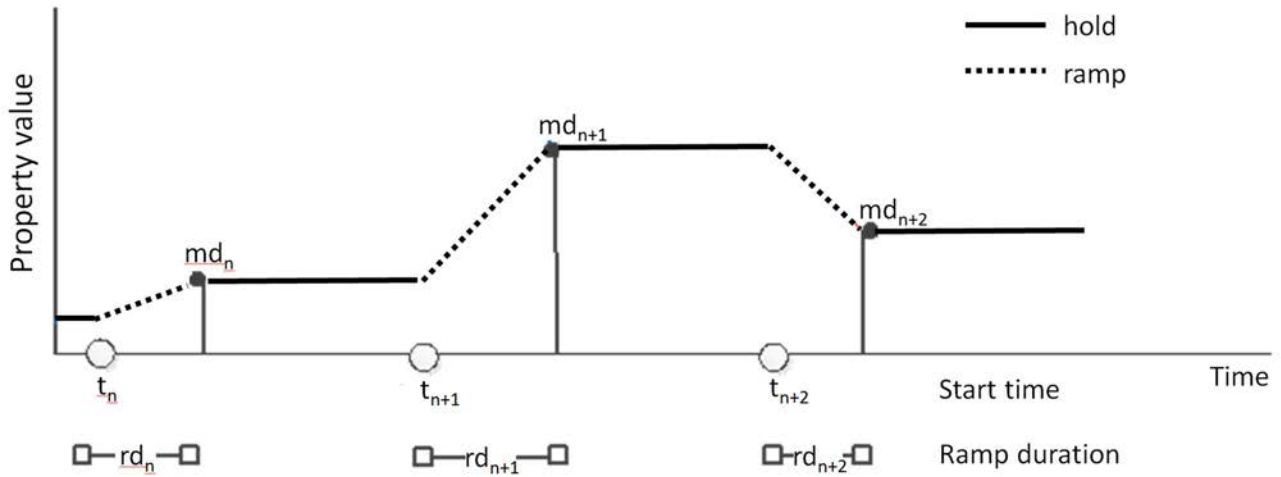
The timing of one transmitted property update specifies its start time, along with that its context with preceding or subsequent updates and the temporal duration for an interpolation process between successive updates.

The OAMD bitstream syntax supports up to eight property updates per object in each codec frame. The timing of one update is identical for all objects, i.e. the number of signalled updates or the start and stop time of each property update is identical for all objects. The metadata contained in the `md_update_info` block carries the signalled timing data applicable to all updates for all transmitted objects. The contained instances of the `block_update_info` block contain metadata that signals the timing data of the corresponding specific update.

In the following paragraphs the *ramp\_duration* value for smoothing is introduced first, the values of *sample\_offset* and *block\_offset\_factor* are introduced afterward for calculating the value of *start\_sample*. Finally the calculation of *frame\_offset* is specified.

The metadata contained in the `md_update_info` block indicates the value of *ramp\_duration* that specifies a time period in audio samples for an interpolation from signalled object property values of the previous property update to values of the current update.

Figure 4 shows the ramp duration for three sequential property updates  $n$ ,  $n+1$  and  $n+2$  for one object. The three property updates have the *start\_sample* values  $t_n$ ,  $t_{n+1}$  and  $t_{n+2}$ . The corresponding *ramp\_duration* values are  $rd_n$ ,  $rd_{n+1}$  and  $rd_{n+2}$ . The points of time  $md_n$ ,  $md_{n+1}$  and  $md_{n+2}$  are the end points of the interpolation process where the signalled values for the object properties are reached after the time period of *ramp\_duration*.



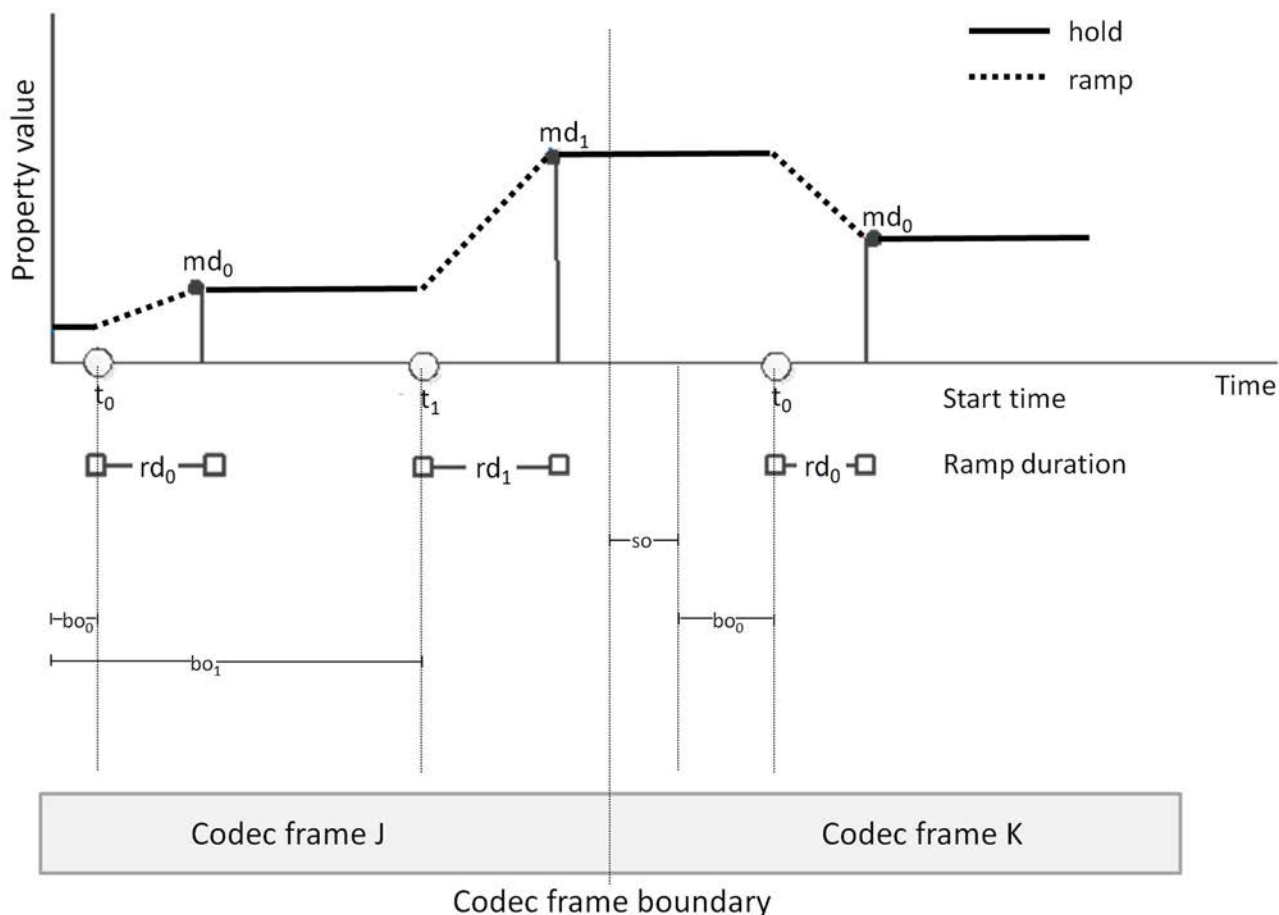
**Figure 4: Temporal context of the ramp duration for three sequential property updates**

For each property update the timing metadata contains one value for *block\_offset\_factor* that indicates a time period in samples as offset from a time point *sample\_offset* common for all property updates. The value of *sample\_offset* is a temporal offset in samples to the first PCM audio sample that the data in the OAMD payload applies to, as specified in ETSI TS 102 366 [1], clauses H.2.2.3.1 and H.2.2.3.2.

Figure 5 shows the temporal context of the start time for two sequential property updates  $md_0$  and  $md_1$  in a codec frame  $J$  and one property update  $md_0$  in the following codec frame  $K$ . The *start\_sample* values  $t_n$  shall be determined by the following equation:

$$t_n = so + 32 \times bo_n.$$

In this equation  $so$  is the value of *sample\_offset* and  $bo_n$  is the value of *block\_offset\_factor* for the corresponding property update.



NOTE: For codec frame *J* the value *so* for *sample\_offset* is zero.

**Figure 5: Temporal context of the start time for three sequential property updates**

In the processing of each codec frame the decoder shall add the value 1 536 (the codec transform size in samples) to *frame\_offset*.

Table 8 lists the related bitstream elements and their reference.

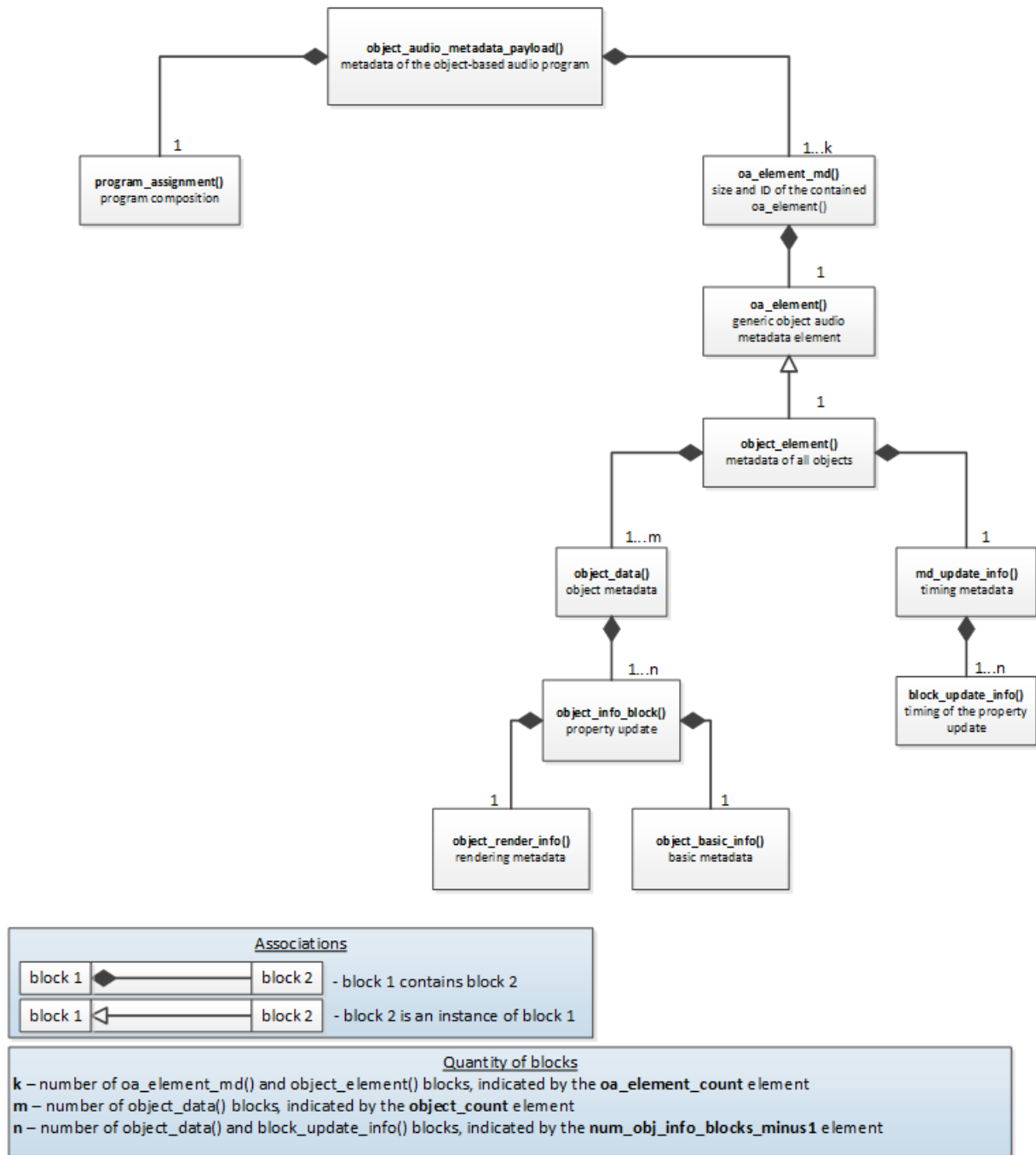
**Table 8: Property update timing related bitstream elements**

Bitstream element	Reference
<i>sample_offset_code</i>	Clause 5.6.2.1
<i>sample_offset_idx</i>	Clause 5.6.2.2
<i>num_obj_info_blocks_bits</i>	Clause 5.6.2.4
<i>block_offset_factor_bits</i>	Clause 5.6.2.5
<i>ramp_duration_code</i>	Clause 5.6.2.5
<i>b_use_ramp_duration_idx</i>	Clause 5.6.2.6
<i>ramp_duration_idx</i>	Clause 5.6.2.8
<i>ramp_duration_bits</i>	Clause 5.6.2.9

## 5.4 Object audio metadata structure

The OAMD bitstream contains metadata updates. Each update contains the metadata is updated; timing information is shared between objects and updates.

Figure 6 shows the OAMD bitstream structure.



**Figure 6: OAMD bitstream structure**

Table 9 lists the blocks contained in the OAMD bitstream.



Table 9: OAMD bitstream blocks

Block	Contents	See also
object_audio_metadata_payload	The OAMD payload (this is the top level block)	
program_assignment	Metadata indicating the OAMD content description	
oa_element_md	Metadata indicating the size and identification of the <code>oa_element</code>	
oa_element	A generic object-based audio metadata element	
object_element	Property updates for all objects	
object_data	All property updates for one object	
md_update_info	Sample offset information common to all contained <code>block_update_info</code> elements	Clause 5.3
block_update_info	Timing information for each property update	Clause 5.3
object_info_block	One property update for one object	Clause 5.3
object_basic_info	Gain and priority	Clauses 5.2.4 and 5.2.3
object_render_info	Position, size, channel lock and zone constraints	Clauses 5.2.1, 5.2.2, 5.2.5 and 5.2.6

## 5.5 Bitstream syntax

### 5.5.1 variable\_bits\_max

Syntax	No of bits
<pre> variable_bits_max(n, max_num_groups) {     value = 0;     num_group = 1;     read; ..... n     value += read;     b_read_more; ..... 1     if (max_num_groups &gt; num_group) {         if (b_read_more) {             value &lt;&lt;= n;             value += (1 &lt;&lt; n);         }         while (b_read_more) {             read; ..... n             value += read;             b_read_more; ..... 1             if (num_group &gt;= max_num_groups) {                 break();             }             if (b_read_more) {                 value &lt;&lt;= n;                 value += (1 &lt;&lt; n);                 num_group += 1;             }         }     }     return value; } </pre>	

## 5.5.2 object\_audio\_metadata\_payload

Syntax	No of bits
object_audio_metadata_payload()	
{	
<b>oa_md_version_bits</b> ; .....	2
if (oa_md_version_bits == 0x3) {	
<b>oa_md_version_bits_ext</b> ; .....	3
oa_md_version_bits += oa_md_version_bits_ext;	
}	
<b>object_count_bits</b> ; .....	5
if (object_count_bits == 0x1F) {	
<b>object_count_bits_ext</b> ; .....	7
object_count_bits += object_count_bits_ext;	
}	
program_assignment();	
<b>b_alternate_object_data_present</b> ; .....	1
<b>oa_element_count_bits</b> ; .....	4
if (oa_element_count_bits == 0xF) {	
<b>oa_element_count_bits_ext</b> ; .....	5
oa_element_count_bits += oa_element_count_bits_ext;	
}	
for (i = 0; i < oa_element_count_bits; i++) {	
oa_element_md();	
}	
<b>padding</b> ; .....	VAR
}	

### 5.5.3 program\_assignment

Syntax	No of bits
<pre> program_assignment() {   b_dyn_object_only_program; ..... 1   if (b_dyn_object_only_program) {     b_lfe_present; ..... 1   }   else {     content_description_mask; ..... 4     if (content_description_mask &amp; 0x1) {       b_bed_object_chan_distribute; ..... 1       b_multiple_bed_instances_present; ..... 1       if (b_multiple_bed_instances_present) {         num_bed_instances_bits; ..... 3       }       for (beds = 0; beds &lt; num_bed_instances; beds++) {         b_lfe_only; ..... 1         if (!b_lfe_only) {           b_standard_chan_assign; ..... 1           if (b_standard_chan_assign) {             bed_channel_assignment_mask; ..... 10           }           else {             nonstd_bed_channel_assignment_mask; ..... 17           }         }       }     }     if (content_description_mask &amp; 0x2) {       intermediate_spatial_format_idx; ..... 3     }     if (content_description_mask &amp; 0x4) {       num_dynamic_objects_bits; ..... 5       if (num_dynamic_objects_bits == 0x1F) {         num_dynamic_objects_bits_ext; ..... 7         num_dynamic_objects_bits += num_dynamic_objects_bits_ext;       }     }     if (content_description_mask &amp; 0x8) {       reserved_data_size_bits; ..... 4       reserved_data();       padding; ..... VAR     }   } } </pre>	

### 5.5.4 oa\_element\_md

Syntax	No of bits
<pre> oa_element_md() {   oa_element_id_idx; ..... 4   oa_element_size_bits = variable_bits_max(4,4);   if (b_alternate_object_data_present) {     alternate_object_data_id_idx; ..... 4   }   b_discard_unknown_element; ..... 1   oa_element();   padding; ..... VAR } </pre>	

### 5.5.5 object\_element

Syntax	No of bits
<pre> object_element() {   md_update_info();   <b>b_default_screen_size_ratio</b>; ..... 1   if (!<b>b_default_screen_size_ratio</b>) {     <b>ref_screen_ratio_bits</b>; ..... 5   }   for (j = 0; j &lt; object_count; j++) {     object_data();   } } </pre>	

### 5.5.6 md\_update\_info

Syntax	No of bits
<pre> md_update_info() {   <b>sample_offset_code</b>; ..... 2   if (sample_offset_code == 0b01) {     <b>sample_offset_idx</b>; ..... 2   }   else {     if (sample_offset_code == 0b10) {       <b>sample_offset_bits</b>; ..... 5     }   }   <b>num_obj_info_blocks_bits</b>; ..... 3   for (blk = 0; blk &lt; num_obj_info_blocks; blk++) {     block_update_info(blk);   } } </pre>	

### 5.5.7 block\_update\_info

Syntax	No of bits
<pre> block_update_info() {   <b>block_offset_factor_bits</b>; ..... 6   <b>ramp_duration_code</b>; ..... 2   if (ramp_duration_code == 0b11) {     <b>b_use_ramp_duration_idx</b>; ..... 1     if (b_use_ramp_duration_idx) {       <b>ramp_duration_idx</b>; ..... 4     }   }   else {     <b>ramp_duration_bits</b>; ..... 11   } } </pre>	

### 5.5.8 object\_data

Syntax	No of bits
<pre> object_data() {   for (blk = 0; blk &lt; num_obj_info_blocks; blk++) {     object_info_block(blk);   } } </pre>	

## 5.5.9 object\_info\_block

Syntax	No of bits
<pre> object_info_block(blk) {   <b>b_object_not_active</b>; ..... 1   if (b_object_not_active) {     object_basic_info_status_idx = 0b00;   }   else {     if (blk == 0) {       object_basic_info_status_idx = 0b01;     }     else {       <b>object_basic_info_status_idx</b>; ..... 2     }   }   if ((object_basic_info_status_idx == 0b01)    (object_basic_info_status_idx == 0b11)) {     object_basic_info();   }   if (b_object_not_active) {     object_render_info_status_idx = 0b00;   }   else {     if (!b_object_in_bed_or_isf) {       if (blk == 0) {         object_render_info_status_idx = 0b01;       }       else {         <b>object_render_info_status_idx</b>; ..... 2       }     }     else {       object_render_info_status_idx = 0b00;     }   }   if ((object_render_info_status_idx == 0b01)    (object_render_info_status_idx == 0b11)) {     object_render_info();   }   <b>b_additional_table_data_exists</b>; ..... 1   if (b_additional_table_data_exists) {     <b>additional_table_data_size_bits</b>; ..... 4     additional_table_data();     <b>padding</b>; ..... VAR   } } </pre>	

## 5.5.10 object\_basic\_info

Syntax	No of bits
<pre> object_basic_info() {   if (object_basic_info_status_idx == 0b01) {     object_basic_info_mask = 0b11;   }   else {     <b>object_basic_info_mask</b>; ..... 2   }   if (object_basic_info_mask &amp; 0x1) {     <b>object_gain_idx</b>; ..... 2     if (object_gain_idx == 0b10) {       <b>object_gain_bits</b>; ..... 6     }   }   if (object_basic_info_mask &amp; 0x2) {     <b>b_default_object_priority</b>; ..... 1     if (!b_default_object_priority) {       <b>object_priority_bits</b>; ..... 5     }   } } </pre>	

## 5.5.11 object\_render\_info

Syntax	No of bits
object_render_info() { if (object_render_info_status_idx == 0b01) { obj_render_info_mask = 0b1111; } else { obj_render_info_mask; ..... 4 } if (obj_render_info_mask & 0x1) { if (blk == 0) { b_differential_position_specified = FALSE; } else { b_differential_position_specified; ..... 1 } if (b_differential_position_specified) { diff_pos3D_X_bits; ..... 3 diff_pos3D_Y_bits; ..... 3 diff_pos3D_Z_bits; ..... 3 } else { pos3D_X_bits; ..... 6 pos3D_Y_bits; ..... 6 pos3D_Z_sign_bits; ..... 1 pos3D_Z_bits; ..... 4 } b_object_distance_specified; ..... 1 if (b_object_distance_specified) { b_object_at_infinity; ..... 1 if (b_object_at_infinity) { object_distance = inf; } else { distance_factor_idx; ..... 4 } } } if (obj_render_info_mask & 0x2) { zone_constraints_idx; ..... 3 b_enable_elevation; ..... 1 } if (obj_render_info_mask & 0x4) { object_size_idx; ..... 2 if (object_size_idx == 0b01) { object_size_bits; ..... 5 } else { if (object_size_idx == 0b10) { object_width_bits; ..... 5 object_depth_bits; ..... 5 object_height_bits; ..... 5 } } } if (obj_render_info_mask & 0x8) { b_object_use_screen_ref; ..... 1 if (b_object_use_screen_ref) { screen_factor_bits; ..... 3 depth_factor_idx; ..... 2 } else { screen_factor_bits = 0; } } b_object_snap; ..... 1 }	

## 5.6 Bitstream description

### 5.6.1 Object properties

#### 5.6.1.1 Position

##### 5.6.1.1.1 `b_default_screen_size_ratio`

The `b_default_screen_size_ratio` flag indicates whether `ref_screen_ratio` shall default to the value of 1,0. If `b_default_screen_size_ratio` is false, the value of `ref_screen_ratio` is indicated by the `ref_screen_ratio_bits` element.

##### 5.6.1.1.2 `ref_screen_ratio_bits`

The `ref_screen_ratio_bits` codeword indicates the value of `ref_screen_ratio`.

The value of `ref_screen_ratio` indicates the ratio of the reference screen width to the distance between the L and R speakers in the mastering studio.

The value of `ref_screen_ratio` shall be determined by the following equation:

$$\text{ref\_screen\_ratio} = (\text{ref\_screen\_ratio\_bits} + 1) / 33$$

In this equation, the bits of the `ref_screen_ratio_bits` element are interpreted as an unsigned integer.

##### 5.6.1.1.3 `b_standard_chan_assign`

The `b_standard_chan_assign` flag indicates whether the `bed_channel_assignment` is indicated by the `bed_channel_assignment_mask` element (if true) or by the `nonstd_bed_channel_assignment_mask` element (when false).

##### 5.6.1.1.4 `bed_channel_assignment_mask`

The `bed_channel_assignment_mask` codeword indicates the `bed_channel_assignment`.

The `bed_channel_assignment` is a list of speaker labels. Each bit of the `bed_channel_assignment_mask` element is a flag that indicates whether the corresponding speaker labels or pair of speaker labels shall be contained in the `bed_channel_assignment`.

Table 10 lists how bits of the `bed_channel_assignment_mask` element relate to speaker labels.

Speaker labels in the `bed_channel_assignment` shall be ordered like the `bed_channel_assignment_mask` bits, starting with bit 0. If the number of speaker labels is 2, the speaker labels shall be ordered as shown in column two.

**Table 10: Speaker labels contained in the `bed_channel_assignment` indicated by the `bed_channel_assignment_mask` element**

<code>bed_channel_assignment_mask</code> bit	Speaker label(s)	Number of speaker labels
0	RC_L/RC_R	2
1	RC_C	1
2	RC_LFE	1
3	RC_LSS/RC_RSS	2
4	RC_LRS/RC_RRS	2
5	RC_LFH/RC_RFH	2
6	RC_LTM/RC_RTM	2
7	RC_LRH/RC_RRH	2
8	RC_LW/RC_RW	2
9	RC_LFE2	1

### 5.6.1.1.5 nonstd\_bed\_channel\_assignment\_mask

The `nonstd_bed_channel_assignment_mask` codeword indicates the `bed_channel_assignment`.

The `bed_channel_assignment` is a list of speaker labels. Each bit of the `nonstd_bed_channel_assignment_mask` element is a flag that indicates whether the corresponding speaker label shall be contained in the `bed_channel_assignment`.

Table 11 lists how bits of the `bed_channel_assignment_mask` element relate to speaker labels.

Speaker labels in the `bed_channel_assignment` shall be ordered like the `bed_channel_assignment_mask` bits, starting with bit 0.

**Table 11: Speaker labels contained in the `bed_channel_assignment` indicated by the `nonstd_bed_channel_assignment_mask` element**

<code>non_std_channel_assignment</code> bit	Speaker label(s)
0	RC_L
1	RC_R
2	RC_C
3	RC_LFE
4	RC_LSS
5	RC_RSS
6	RC_LRS
7	RC_RRS
8	RC_LFH
9	RC_RFH
10	RC_LTM
11	RC_RTM
12	RC_LRH
13	RC_RRH
14	RC_LW
15	RC_RW
16	RC_LFE2

### 5.6.1.1.6 `b_lfe_only`

The `b_lfe_only` flag indicates whether the `bed_channel_assignment` contains one LFE channel and no other channels.

### 5.6.1.1.7 `b_differential_position_specified`

The `b_differential_position_specified` flag indicates how the position values `pos3D_X`, `pos3D_Y` and `pos3D_Z` are signalled in the bitstream.

Table 12 specifies how the values of `pos3D_X`, `pos3D_Y` and `pos3D_Z` are signalled in the bitstream.

**Table 12: Signalling of `pos3D_X`, `pos3D_Y` and `pos3D_Z`**

<code>b_differential_position_specified</code>	signalling
0	<code>pos3D_X</code> , <code>pos3D_Y</code> and <code>pos3D_Z</code> are indicated by <code>pos3D_X_bits</code> , <code>pos3D_Y_bits</code> , <code>pos3D_Z_sign_bits</code> and <code>pos3D_Z_bits</code> (no differential coding)
1	<code>pos3D_X</code> , <code>pos3D_Y</code> and <code>pos3D_Z</code> are indicated by <code>diff_pos3D_X_bits</code> , <code>diff_pos3D_Y_bits</code> and <code>diff_pos3D_Z_bits</code> (differential coding)



#### 5.6.1.1.8 pos3D\_X\_bits

The `pos3D_X_bits` codeword indicates the value of *pos3D\_X*.

*pos3D\_X* indicates the x-coordinate value for the position of the object.

The value of *pos3D\_X* shall be determined by the following equation:

$$\text{pos3D\_X} = \min\left(1; \text{pos3D\_X\_bits}/62\right).$$

In this equation, the bits of `pos3D_X_bits` are interpreted as an unsigned integer.

#### 5.6.1.1.9 pos3D\_Y\_bits

The `pos3D_Y_bits` codeword indicates the value of *pos3D\_Y*.

*pos3D\_Y* indicates the y-coordinate value for the position of the object.

The value of *pos3D\_Y* shall be determined by the following equation:

$$\text{pos3D\_Y} = \min\left(1; \text{pos3D\_Y\_bits}/62\right),$$

where the bits of `pos3D_Y_bits` are interpreted as an unsigned integer.

#### 5.6.1.1.10 pos3D\_Z\_sign\_bits

The `pos3D_Z_sign_bits` codeword indicates the value of *pos3D\_Z\_sign*.

*pos3D\_Z\_sign* is used to determine whether the z-coordinate for the position of the object is positive or negative.

The *pos3D\_Z\_sign* value shall be determined by the following equation:

$$\text{pos3D\_Z\_sign} = \begin{cases} -1, & \text{when } \text{pos3D\_Z\_sign\_bits} = 0 \\ +1, & \text{else} \end{cases}$$

#### 5.6.1.1.11 pos3D\_Z\_bits

The `pos3D_Z_bits` codeword indicates the value of *pos3D\_Z*.

*pos3D\_Z* indicates the z-coordinate value for the position of the object.

The value of *pos3D\_Z* shall be determined by the following equation:

$$\text{pos3D\_Z} = \text{pos3D\_Z\_sign} \times \text{pos3D\_Z\_bits}/15$$

The bits of `pos3D_Z_bits` are interpreted as an unsigned integer and the value of *pos3D\_Z\_sign* is specified in clause 5.6.1.1.10.

#### 5.6.1.1.12 diff\_pos3D\_X\_bits

The `diff_pos3D_X_bits` codeword indicates the value of *pos3D\_X*, taking into account the previous value of *pos3D\_X* (differential coding).

The *pos3D\_X* value shall be determined by the following equation:

$$\text{pos3D\_X} = \max\left(0; \min\left(1; \text{pos3D\_X}_{\text{prev}} + \left(\text{diff\_pos3D\_X\_bits}/62\right)\right)\right)$$

In this equation, the bits of `diff_pos3D_X_bits` are interpreted as a signed integer.

The *pos3D\_X<sub>prev</sub>* value is the *pos3D\_X* value determined by decoding of the previous metadata update block.

NOTE: The previous metadata update block is defined in clause 5.3.

#### 5.6.1.1.13 diff\_pos3D\_Y\_bits

The `diff_pos3D_Y_bits` codeword indicates the value of `pos3D_Y`, taking into account the previous value of `pos3D_Y` (differential coding).

The `pos3D_Y` value shall be determined by the following equation:

$$\text{pos3D\_Y} = \max \left( 0; \min \left( 1; \text{pos3D\_Y}_{\text{prev}} + \left( \text{diff\_pos3D\_Y\_bits} / 62 \right) \right) \right).$$

In this equation, the bits of `diff_pos3D_Y_bits` are interpreted as a signed integer.

The `pos3D_Yprev` value is the `pos3D_Y` value determined by decoding of the previous metadata update block.

NOTE: The previous metadata update block is defined in clause 5.3.

#### 5.6.1.1.14 diff\_pos3D\_Z\_bits

The `diff_pos3D_Z_bits` codeword indicates the value of `pos3D_Z`, taking into account the previous value of `pos3D_Z` (differential coding).

The `pos3D_Z` value shall be determined by the following equation:

$$\text{pos3D\_Z} = \max \left( -1; \min \left( 1; \text{pos3D\_Z}_{\text{prev}} + \left( \text{diff\_pos3D\_Z\_bits} / 15 \right) \right) \right).$$

In this equation, the bits of `diff_pos3D_Z_bits` are interpreted as a signed integer.

The `pos3D_Zprev` value is the `pos3D_Z` value determined by decoding of the previous metadata update block.

NOTE: The previous metadata update block is defined in clause 5.3.

#### 5.6.1.1.15 b\_object\_distance\_specified

The `b_object_distance_specified` flag indicates whether the position of an object is outside of the room boundaries.

#### 5.6.1.1.16 b\_object\_at\_infinity

The `b_object_at_infinity` flag indicates whether the object distance from the listening position is equal to infinity (when true) or is indicated by the `distance_factor_idx` element (when false).

#### 5.6.1.1.17 distance\_factor\_idx

The `distance_factor_idx` index indicates the value of `distance_factor`.

The value of `distance_factor` shall be determined as specified in table 13.

**Table 13: *distance\_factor* value indicated by the *distance\_factor\_idx* element**

<i>distance_factor_idx</i>	<i>distance_factor</i>
0	1,1
1	1,3
2	1,6
3	2,0
4	2,5
5	3,2
6	4,0
7	5,0
8	6,3
9	7,9
10	10,0
11	12,6
12	15,8
13	20,0
14	25,1
15	50,1

#### 5.6.1.1.18 *b\_object\_use\_screen\_ref*

The *b\_object\_use\_screen\_ref* flag indicates whether the signalled values of *pos3D\_X*, *pos3D\_Y* and *pos3D\_Z* are related to the screen (when true) or to the room (when false).

If the *b\_object\_use\_screen\_ref* flag is true, the *screen\_factor\_bits* element and the *depth\_factor\_idx* element follow in the bitstream. If the *b\_object\_use\_screen\_ref* flag is false, *screen\_factor* = 0.

#### 5.6.1.1.19 *screen\_factor\_bits*

The *screen\_factor\_bits* unsigned integer indicates the value of *screen\_factor*.

The value of *screen\_factor* shall be determined by the following equation:

$$\text{screen\_factor} = (\text{screen\_factor\_bits} + 1) / 8.$$

#### 5.6.1.1.20 *depth\_factor\_idx*

The *depth\_factor\_idx* index indicates the value of *depth\_factor*.

The value of the *depth\_factor* shall be determined as specified in table 14.

**Table 14: The value of *depth\_factor* indicated by the *depth\_factor\_idx* element**

<i>depth_factor_idx</i>	<i>depth_factor</i>
0	0,25
1	0,5
2	1
3	2

### 5.6.1.2 Size

#### 5.6.1.2.1 *object\_size\_idx*

The *object\_size\_idx* index indicates the values of *object\_width*, *object\_depth* and *object\_height*.

Table 15 lists the values of *object\_width*, *object\_depth*, and *object\_height*.

**Table 15: Values of *object\_width*, *object\_depth* and *object\_height***

<i>object_size_idx</i>	<i>object_width</i>	<i>object_depth</i>	<i>object_height</i>
0	0	0	0
1	$\frac{\text{object\_size\_bits}}{31}$	$\frac{\text{object\_size\_bits}}{31}$	$\frac{\text{object\_size\_bits}}{31}$
2	$\frac{\text{object\_width\_bits}}{31}$	$\frac{\text{object\_depth\_bits}}{31}$	$\frac{\text{object\_height\_bits}}{31}$
3	Reserved		

#### 5.6.1.2.2 *object\_size\_bits*

The *object\_size\_bits* codeword indicates the value of *object\_width*, *object\_depth* and *object\_height*.

The values shall be determined by the following equation:

$$\text{object\_width} = \text{object\_depth} = \text{object\_height} = \frac{\text{object\_size\_bits}}{31}.$$

In this equation, the bits of *object\_size\_bits* are interpreted as an unsigned integer.

#### 5.6.1.2.3 *object\_width\_bits*

The *object\_width\_bits* codeword indicates the value of *object\_width*.

The value of *object\_width* shall be determined by the following equation:

$$\text{object\_width} = \frac{\text{object\_width\_bits}}{31}.$$

In this equation, the bits of *object\_width\_bits* are interpreted as an unsigned integer.

#### 5.6.1.2.4 *object\_depth\_bits*

The *object\_depth\_bits* codeword indicates the value of *object\_depth*.

The value of *object\_depth* shall be determined by the following equation:

$$\text{object\_depth} = \frac{\text{object\_depth\_bits}}{31}.$$

In this equation, the bits of *object\_depth\_bits* are interpreted as an unsigned integer.

#### 5.6.1.2.5 *object\_height\_bits*

The *object\_height\_bits* codeword indicates the value of *object\_height*.

The value of *object\_height* shall be determined by the following equation:

$$\text{object\_height} = \frac{\text{object\_height\_bits}}{31}.$$

In this equation, the bits of *object\_height\_bits* are interpreted as an unsigned integer.

### 5.6.1.3 Priority

#### 5.6.1.3.1 *b\_default\_object\_priority*

The *b\_default\_object\_priority* flag indicates whether the value of *object\_priority* shall default to 1,0 (when true) or is indicated by the *object\_priority\_bits* element (when false).

The value of *object\_priority* is in [0; 1], where *object\_priority* in [0; 1] is signalled as specified in clause 5.6.1.3.2.

### 5.6.1.3.2 object\_priority\_bits

The *object\_priority\_bits* codeword indicates the value of the *object\_priority*.

The value of *object\_priority* shall be determined by the following equation:

$$\text{object\_priority} = \text{object\_priority\_bits} / 32.$$

In this equation, the bits of *object\_priority\_bits* are interpreted as an unsigned integer. The value of *object\_priority* is in [0; 1], where *object\_priority* = 1 is signalled as specified in clause 5.6.1.3.1.

### 5.6.1.4 Gain

#### 5.6.1.4.1 object\_gain\_idx

The *object\_gain\_idx* index indicates the value of *object\_gain*.

*object\_gain* shall be derived from *object\_gain\_idx* as specified in table 16.

**Table 16: Value of *object\_gain***

<i>object_gain_idx</i>	<i>object_gain</i>
0	0 dB
1	$-\infty$ dB
2	indicated by the <i>object_gain_bits</i> element
3	<i>object_gain</i> of the previous object in this metadata update block, or a default of 0 dB if the current object is the first object

#### 5.6.1.4.2 object\_gain\_bits

The *object\_gain\_bits* unsigned integer indicates the value of *object\_gain*.

The value of *object\_gain* shall be determined as specified in table 17.

**Table 17: Determination of *object\_gain* indicated by *object\_gain\_bits***

<i>object_gain_bits</i>	<i>object_gain</i> [dB]
0-14	15 – <i>object_gain_bits</i> ; <i>object_gain</i> is in [1; 15]
15-63	14 – <i>object_gain_bits</i> ; <i>object_gain</i> is in [-49; -1]

NOTE: The value *object\_gain* = 0 dB can't be signalled by *object\_gain\_bits*, but can be signalled by *object\_gain\_idx* = 0.

### 5.6.1.5 Channel lock

#### 5.6.1.5.1 b\_object\_snap

The *b\_object\_snap* flag indicates the channel lock property.

### 5.6.1.6 Zone constraints

#### 5.6.1.6.1 zone\_constraints\_idx

The *zone\_constraints\_idx* index indicates zone constraints for the horizontal zones.

Horizontal zones are marked to be included or excluded as listed in table 18.

NOTE: Constraints for the Top-Bottom zone are documented in clause 5.6.1.6.2.

**Table 18: Zone constraints indicated by the `zone_constraints_idx` element**

<code>zone_constraints_idx</code>	Zone constraints
0	No constraints
1	Back zone excluded (all other horizontal zones included)
2	Side zone excluded (all other horizontal zones included)
3	Centre-and-back zone included (all other horizontal zones excluded)
4	Only screen zone included (all other horizontal zones excluded)
5	Only surround zone included (all other horizontal zones excluded)
6-7	Reserved

#### 5.6.1.6.2 `b_enable_elevation`

The `b_enable_elevation` flag indicates the zone constraints for the Top-Bottom zone.

The Top-Bottom zone is marked to be included or excluded as listed in table 19.

**Table 19: Top-Bottom zone constraints indicated by `b_enable_elevation`**

<code>b_enable_elevation</code>	Top-Bottom zone
true	included
false	excluded

## 5.6.2 Timing metadata

### 5.6.2.1 `sample_offset_code`

The `sample_offset_code` index indicates the value of `sample_offset`.

Table 20 lists the value of `sample_offset` indicated by the `sample_offset_code` element.

**Table 20: Signalling of `sample_offset`**

<code>sample_offset_code</code>	<code>sample_offset</code>
0	0
1	indicated by the following <code>sample_offset_idx</code> element
2	indicated by the following <code>sample_offset_bits</code> element
3	Reserved

### 5.6.2.2 `sample_offset_idx`

The `sample_offset_idx` index indicates the value of `sample_offset`.

Table 21 lists the value of `sample_offset` indicated by the `sample_offset_idx` element.

**Table 21: Value of `sample_offset`**

<code>sample_offset_idx</code>	<code>sample_offset</code> (in samples)
0	8
1	16
2	18
3	24

### 5.6.2.3 `sample_offset_bits`

The `sample_offset_bits` unsigned integer determines the value of `sample_offset`.

`sample_offset` is in a range [0; 31].

#### 5.6.2.4 num\_obj\_info\_blocks\_bits

The `num_obj_info_blocks_bits` codeword indicates the value of `num_obj_info_blocks`.

The `num_obj_info_blocks` value is determined by the following equation:

$$\text{num\_obj\_info\_blocks} = \text{num\_obj\_info\_blocks\_bits} + 1.$$

In this equation, the bits of `num_obj_info_blocks_bits` are interpreted as an unsigned integer.

#### 5.6.2.5 block\_offset\_factor\_bits

The `block_offset_factor_bits` unsigned integer indicates the `block_offset_factor` value.

#### 5.6.2.6 ramp\_duration\_code

The `ramp_duration_code` index indicates the value of `ramp_duration`.

Table 22 lists the value of `ramp_duration` indicated by the `ramp_duration_code` element:

**Table 22: Value of `ramp_duration`**

<code>ramp_duration_code</code>	<code>ramp_duration</code>
0	0
1	512
2	1 536
3	indicated by the <code>b_use_ramp_duration_idx</code> element

#### 5.6.2.7 b\_use\_ramp\_duration\_idx

The `b_use_ramp_duration_idx` flag indicates whether the value of `ramp_duration` is indicated by the `ramp_duration_idx` element (when true) or by the `ramp_duration_bits` element (when false).

#### 5.6.2.8 ramp\_duration\_idx

The `ramp_duration_idx` index indicates the value of `ramp_duration`.

Table 23 lists the value of `ramp_duration` indicated by the corresponding table index.

**Table 23: Value of `ramp_duration`**

<code>ramp_duration_idx</code>	<code>ramp_duration</code> (in samples)
0	32
1	64
2	128
3	256
4	320
5	480
6	1 000
7	1 001
8	1 024
9	1 600
10	1 601
11	1 602
12	1 920
13	2 000
14	2 002
15	2 048

### 5.6.2.9 ramp\_duration\_bits

The `ramp_duration_bits` unsigned integer determines the value of `ramp_duration`.

`ramp_duration` is in the range of [0; 2 047].

## 5.6.3 Object audio metadata content description

### 5.6.3.1 b\_dyn\_object\_only\_program

The `b_dyn_object_only_program` flag indicates whether the bitstream contains one or more dynamic objects plus an optional object positioned at the LFE speaker (when true), or it contains a combination of one or more bed instances, intermediate spatial format and one or more dynamic objects (when false).

### 5.6.3.2 b\_lfe\_present

The `b_lfe_present` flag indicates whether the bitstream contains an object positioned at the LFE speaker.

### 5.6.3.3 content\_description\_mask

The `content_description_mask` codeword indicates the object types present in the bitstream.

Each bit of the `content_description_mask` element is a flag that indicates whether one or more objects of the assigned object type are present in the bitstream. Table 24 lists the object types for the `content_description_mask` bits.

**Table 24: Object types for `content_description_mask` bits**

<code>content_description_mask bit</code>	<b>assigned object type</b>
0	object(s) with speaker-anchored coordinate(s) (one or more bed instances)
1	intermediate spatial format (ISF)
2	object(s) with room-anchored or screen-anchored coordinates
3	reserved

### 5.6.3.4 b\_bed\_object\_chan\_distribute

The `b_bed_object_chan_distribute` flag indicates whether an object with a speaker-anchored position is intended to be spread to multiple appropriate loudspeakers.

### 5.6.3.5 b\_multiple\_bed\_instances\_present

The `b_multiple_bed_instances_present` flag indicates whether the bitstream contains multiple bed instances.

If the `b_multiple_bed_instances_present` flag is false, it indicates that `num_bed_instances` = 1.

### 5.6.3.6 num\_bed\_instances\_bits

The `num_bed_instances_bits` codeword indicates the value of `num_bed_instances`.

The value of `num_bed_instances` is determined by the following equation:

$$\text{num\_bed\_instances} = \text{num\_bed\_instances\_bits} + 2.$$

In this equation, the bits of `num_bed_instances_bits` are interpreted as an unsigned integer.



### 5.6.3.7 intermediate\_spatial\_format\_idx

The `intermediate_spatial_format_idx` index indicates the intermediate spatial format (ISF) type of the associated objects.

The ISF type indicated by `intermediate_spatial_format_idx` is shown in table 25.

**Table 25: ISF**

<code>intermediate_spatial_format_idx</code>	ISF type (SR notation)	objects present (MULZ order)	Number of objects
0	SR3.1.0.0	M1 M2 M3 U1	4
1	SR5.3.0.0	M1 M2 M3 M4 M5 U1 U2 U3	8
2	SR7.3.0.0	M1 M2 M3 M4 M5 M6 M7 U1 U2 U3	10
3	SR9.5.0.0	M1 M2 M3 M4 M5 M6 M7 M8 M9 U1 U2 U3 U4 U5	14
4	SR7.5.3.0	M1 M2 M3 M4 M5 M6 M7 U1 U2 U3 U4 U5 L1 L2 L3	15
5	SR15.9.5.1	M1 M2 M3 M4 M5 M6 M7 M8 M9 M10 M11 M12 M13 M14 M15 U1 U2 U3 U4 U5 U6 U7 U8 U9 L1 L2 L3 L4 L5 Z1	30
6, 7	reserved		

NOTE 1: SR refers to a stacked ring format used for intermediate spatial format objects.

NOTE 2: MULZ refers to the order in which audio signals for ISF objects occur.

### 5.6.3.8 num\_dynamic\_objects\_bits

The `num_dynamic_objects_bits` codeword indicates the value of `num_dynamic_objects`.

The value of `num_dynamic_objects` is determined by the following equation:

$$\text{num\_dynamic\_objects} = \text{num\_dynamic\_objects\_bits} + 1.$$

In this equation, the bits of `num_dynamic_objects_bits` are interpreted as unsigned integer.

## 5.6.4 Additional metadata

### 5.6.4.1 oa\_md\_version\_bits

`oa_md_version_bits` is an unsigned integer that determines the OAMD syntax version.

### 5.6.4.2 object\_count\_bits

The `object_count_bits` codeword indicates the value of `object_count`.

The value of `object_count` is determined by the following equation:

$$\text{object\_count} = \text{object\_count\_bits} + 1.$$

In this equation, the bits of the `object_count_bits` element are interpreted as an unsigned integer. `object_count` indicates the total number of objects in the bitstream.

### 5.6.4.3 b\_alternate\_object\_data\_present

The `b_alternate_object_data_present` flag indicates whether each `oa_element` block contains an `alternate_object_data_id_idx` element.

#### 5.6.4.4 `oa_element_count_bits`

The `oa_element_count_bits` unsigned integer determines the number of `oa_element` blocks contained in the `object_audio_metadata_payload` block.

#### 5.6.4.5 `reserved_data_size_bits`

The `reserved_data_size_bits` codeword indicates the value of `reserved_data_size`.

The `reserved_data_size` indicates the length of the `reserved_data` element plus the `padding` element in bytes and can be calculated by the following equation:

$$\text{reserved\_data\_size} = \text{reserved\_data\_size\_bits} + 1.$$

In this equation, the bits of the `reserved_data_size_bits` element are interpreted as an unsigned integer.

#### 5.6.4.6 `oa_element_id_idx`

The `oa_element_id_idx` index indicates the type of the following `oa_element` element.

Table 26 lists the type of the `oa_element` element, indicated by the corresponding table index.

**Table 26: The type of the `oa_element` indicated by `oa_element_id_idx`**

<code>oa_element_id_idx</code>	Type of the <code>oa_element</code> element
0	Reserved
1	<code>object_element</code>
2-15	Reserved

#### 5.6.4.7 `oa_element_size_bits`

The `oa_element_size_bits` codeword indicates the value of `oa_element_size`.

The `oa_element_size` indicates the total length in bytes of the following subsequent elements:

- `alternate_object_data_id_idx`
- `b_discard_unknown_element`
- `oa_element`
- `padding`

The value of `oa_element_size` is determined by the following equation:

$$\text{oa\_element\_size} = \text{oa\_element\_size\_bits} + 1.$$

In this equation, the bits of the `oa_element_size_bits` element are interpreted as an unsigned integer.

#### 5.6.4.8 `alternate_object_data_id_idx`

The `alternate_object_data_id_idx` index indicates the type of the alternative data for the corresponding `oa_element`.

The type of the alternative data for the corresponding `oa_element` element depends on the type of the `oa_element` element (indicated by the `oa_element_id_idx` element). For `oa_element_id_idx = 1`, table 27 lists the type of the alternative data for the `object_element` element.

**Table 27: The type of the alternative data for the `object_element` element indicated by `alternate_object_data_id_idx`**

<code>alternate_object_data_id_idx</code>	Type of the alternative data for the <code>object_element</code> element
0	Default
1-15	Reserved
NOTE: The type of the alternative data for the <code>object_element</code> element currently supports one default value only, all other values are reserved for future use cases.	

#### 5.6.4.9 `b_discard_unknown_element`

The `b_discard_unknown_element` flag indicates whether the intention is to discard the corresponding `oa_element` during a transcoding process, if the value of the `oa_element_id_idx` element is unknown.

#### 5.6.4.10 `b_object_not_active`

The `b_object_not_active` flag indicates whether the object's audio essence is silent.

#### 5.6.4.11 `object_basic_info_status_idx`

The `object_basic_info_status_idx` index indicates how the values of the elements contained in the `object_basic_info` block are determined.

Table 28 lists how the values of the elements contained in the `object_basic_info` block shall be determined.

**Table 28: Values of the elements contained in the `object_basic_info` block**

<code>object_basic_info_status_idx</code>	Action	Element values
0	Default	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <code>object_priority=0</code></li> <li>• <code>object_gain=-∞ dB</code></li> </ul>
1	Full update	All values are signalled in the <code>object_basic_info</code> block
2	Full reuse	No values signalled, all values are equal to the corresponding values of the previous metadata update
3	Mixed update/reuse	Some values are signalled in the <code>object_basic_info</code> block and some values are equal to the corresponding values of the previous metadata update (see clause 5.6.4.16)

#### 5.6.4.12 `b_object_in_bed_or_ISF`

The `b_object_in_bed_or_ISF` helper flag shall be set if the corresponding object is contained in a bed instance or is an ISF object.

Whether an object is contained in a bed instance or is and ISF object can be determined from the order of objects and from the OAMD content description, specified in clause 5.6.3.

The objects are ordered in the bitstream as follows:

- 1) Objects contained in a bed instance.
- 2) ISF objects.
- 3) Dynamic objects (not contained in a bed instance nor ISF related).

The OAMD content description specifies the number of bed instances as `num_bed_instances`, the number of ISF objects `intermediate_spatial_format_idx`, and the number of dynamic objects in `num_dynamic_objects`. Objects in the first two classes shall be marked with `b_object_in_bed_instance_or_ISF = true`.

### 5.6.4.13 object\_render\_info\_status\_idx

The `object_render_info_status_idx` index indicates how the values of the `object_render_info` elements are determined.

Table 29 lists how the values of the elements contained in the `object_render_info` block shall be determined.

**Table 29: Values of `object_render_info` elements**

<code>object_render_info_status_idx</code>	Action	Values <code>object_render_info</code> elements
0	Default	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <code>pos3D_X=0,5</code></li> <li>• <code>pos3D_Y=0,5</code></li> <li>• <code>pos3D_Z=0</code></li> <li>• <code>width=0</code></li> <li>• <code>depth=0</code></li> <li>• <code>height=0</code></li> <li>• <code>zone_constraints_idx=0</code></li> <li>• <code>b_enable_elevation=true</code></li> <li>• <code>b_use_screen_ref=false</code></li> <li>• <code>b_snap=false</code></li> </ul>
1	Full update	All values are signalled in the <code>object_render_info</code> block
2	Full reuse	No values signalled, all values are equal to the corresponding values of the previous metadata update
3	Mixed update/reuse	As indicated by clause 5.6.4.17: some values are signalled in the <code>object_render_info</code> block and some values are equal to the corresponding values of the previous metadata update

### 5.6.4.14 b\_additional\_table\_data\_exists

The `b_additional_table_data_exists` flag indicates whether the `additional_table_data_size_bits` element and the `additional_table_data` block follow in the bitstream.

### 5.6.4.15 additional\_table\_data\_size\_bits

The `additional_table_data_size_bits` codeword indicates the value of `additional_table_data_size`.

The value of `additional_table_data_size` is determined by the following equation:

$$\text{additional\_table\_data\_size} = \text{additional\_table\_data\_size\_bits} + 1.$$

In this equation, the bits of the `additional_table_data_size_bits` element are interpreted as an unsigned integer. The value of `additional_table_data_size` indicates the total length of the following `additional_table_data` block and the padding element in bytes.

### 5.6.4.16 obj\_basic\_info\_mask

The `obj_basic_info_mask` codeword indicates whether the `object_gain_idx` and `b_default_object_priority` elements are present in the bitstream.

Each bit of the `obj_basic_info_mask` element is a flag that indicates that a corresponding element is present in the bitstream. Table 30 lists the correspondence between bitstream element and bits of the `obj_basic_info_mask` element.

**Table 30: Bitstream elements indicated by the `obj_basic_info_mask` element**

<code>obj_basic_info_mask</code> bit	Corresponding bitstream element
0	<code>object_gain_idx</code>
1	<code>b_default_object_priority</code>

### 5.6.4.17 obj\_render\_info\_mask

The `obj_render_info_mask` codeword indicates the bitstream elements contained in the `object_render_info` block.

Each bit of the `obj_render_info_mask` codeword is a flag that indicates whether corresponding elements are present in the bitstream. Table 31 lists the correspondence between bitstream elements and bits of the `obj_basic_info_mask` element.

**Table 31: Bitstream elements indicated by the `obj_render_info_mask` element**

<code>obj_render_info_mask</code> bit	Corresponding bitstream elements
0 (least-significant bit (LSB))	<code>b_differential_position_specified</code> , <code>pos3D_X_bits</code> , <code>pos3D_Y_bits</code> , <code>pos3D_Z_sign_bits</code> , <code>pos3D_Z_bits</code> , <code>diff_pos3D_X_bits</code> , <code>diff_pos3D_Y_bits</code> , <code>diff_pos3D_Z_bits</code> , <code>b_object_distance_specified</code> , <code>b_object_at_inifity</code> , and <code>distance_factor_idx</code>
1	<code>zone_constraints_idx</code> and <code>b_enable_elevation</code>
2	<code>object_size_idx</code> , <code>object_size_bits</code> , <code>object_width_bits</code> , <code>object_depth_bits</code> , and <code>object_height_bits</code>
3	<code>b_object_use_screen_ref</code> , <code>screen_factor_bits</code> , and <code>depth_factor_idx</code>

### 5.6.4.18 padding

The `padding` element is a sequence of zero bits. The number of padding bits corresponds to the size value of the block.

## 6 Joint object coding

### 6.1 Introduction

The JOC tool is a post-processor to the E-AC-3 decoder. It enables decoding of up to 16 object-based audio essences from a channel-based E-AC-3 bitstream.

The JOC decoder performs a QMF domain matrix operation to reconstruct the output objects. The coefficients of the reconstruction matrix are controlled by the JOC side information in the bitstream.

NOTE: Clause 7.1 specifies the QMF domain.

### 6.2 Bitstream syntax

#### 6.2.1 `joc`

Syntax	No of bits
<pre> joc() {   joc_header();   joc_info();   joc_data();   if (joc_ext_config &gt; 0) {     joc_ext_data();   }   padding_bits; ..... 0...7 } </pre>	

## 6.2.2 joc\_header

Syntax	No of bits
joc_header() { joc_dmx_config_idx; ..... 3 joc_num_objects_bits; ..... 6 joc_ext_config_idx; ..... 3 }	

## 6.2.3 joc\_info

Syntax	No of bits
joc_info() { joc_clipgain_x_bits; ..... 3 joc_clipgain_y_bits; ..... 5 joc_seq_count_bits; ..... 10 for (obj = 0; obj < joc_num_objects; obj++) { b_joc_obj_present[obj]; ..... 1 if (b_joc_obj_present[obj]) { joc_num_bands_idx[obj]; ..... 3 b_joc_sparse[obj]; ..... 1 joc_num_quant_idx[obj]; ..... 1 joc_data_point_info(obj); } } }	

## 6.2.4 joc\_data\_point\_info

Syntax	No of bits
joc_data_point_info(obj) { joc_slope_idx[obj]; ..... 1 joc_num_dpoints_bits[obj]; ..... 1 if (joc_slope_idx[obj] == 1) { for (dp = 0; dp < joc_num_dpoints[obj]; dp++) { joc_offset_ts_bits[obj,dp]; ..... 5 } } }	

## 6.2.5 joc\_data

Syntax	No of bits
joc_data() { for (obj = 0; obj < joc_num_objects; obj++) { if (b_joc_obj_present[obj]) { for (dp = 0; dp < joc_num_dpoints[obj]; dp++) { if (b_joc_sparse[obj] == 1) { joc_channel_idx[0]; ..... 3 joc_huff_code = get_joc_huff_code(joc_num_channels, IDX); for (pb = 1; pb < joc_num_bands; pb++) { joc_hcw; ..... VAR joc_channel_idx[pb] = huff_decode(joc_huff_code, joc_hcw); } joc_huff_code = get_joc_huff_code(joc_num_quant_idx[obj], VEC); for (pb = 0; pb < joc_num_bands; pb++) { joc_hcw; ..... VAR joc_vec[pb] = huff_decode(joc_huff_code, joc_hcw); } } } } } else { joc_huff_code = get_joc_huff_code(joc_num_quant_idx[obj], MTX); for (ch = 0; ch < joc_num_channels; ch++) { for (pb = 0; pb < joc_num_bands; pb++) {	

Syntax	No of bits
<pre> joc_hcw; ..... VAR joc_mtx[pb] = huff_decode(joc_huff_code, joc_hcw); } } } } } } } } </pre>	

## 6.3 Bitstream description

### 6.3.1 joc

#### 6.3.1.1 joc overview

The `joc` block is the top-level element that contains all bitstream elements of the JOC side information.

### 6.3.2 joc\_header

#### 6.3.2.1 joc\_header overview

The `joc_header` block contains bitstream elements that indicate the JOC downmix configuration, the number of processed audio objects and the type of extensional JOC configuration data (if present in the bitstream).

#### 6.3.2.2 joc\_dmx\_config\_idx

The `joc_dmx_config_idx` index indicates the JOC downmix configuration.

Table 32 specifies the JOC downmix configuration indicated by `joc_dmx_config_idx`.

**Table 32: JOC downmix channel configuration**

<code>joc_dmx_config_idx</code>	Downmix configuration	Downmix channel
0	5.X	L, R, C, (LFE), Ls, Rs
1	7.X	L, R, C, (LFE), Ls, Rs, Lrs, Rrs
2	5.X + 2	L, R, C, (LFE), Ls, Rs, Lvh, Rvh
3	5.X with 90 degree phase shift	L, R, C, (LFE), Ls, Rs
4	5.X + 2 with 90 degree phase shift	L, R, C, (LFE), Ls, Rs, Lvh, Rvh
5...7	Reserved	
NOTE: If the LFE channel is present, this channel is not processed by the JOC decoder, but bypassed only.		

#### 6.3.2.3 joc\_num\_channels

The `joc_num_channels` helper variable indicates the number of channels in the JOC downmix.

The value of `joc_num_channels` depends on the `joc_dmx_config_idx` index as listed in table 33.

**Table 33: Number of downmix channels**

<code>joc_dmx_config_idx</code>	<code>joc_num_channels</code>
0	5
1	7
2	7
3	5
4	7
5...7	reserved

### 6.3.2.4 `joc_num_objects_bits`

The `joc_num_objects_bits` unsigned integer indicates the value of `joc_num_objects`.

The value of `joc_num_objects` is determined by the following equation:

$$\text{joc\_num\_objects} = \text{joc\_num\_objects\_bits} + 1$$

### 6.3.2.5 `joc_ext_config_idx`

The `joc_ext_config_idx` index indicates the type of extensional configuration data that is present in the bitstream.

Table 34 specifies the extensional configuration data indicated by `joc_ext_config_idx`.

**Table 34: JOC extensional configuration data**

<code>joc_ext_config_idx</code>	Extensional configuration data type
0	no extensional configuration data present
1 ... 7	reserved

NOTE: Currently all extensional configuration data types are reserved for future use.

## 6.3.3 `joc_info`

### 6.3.3.1 `joc_info` overview

The `joc_info` block contains several bitstream elements per object that indicate the presence, quantization, frequency- and time resolution of the coded JOC parameters for the corresponding object.

### 6.3.3.2 `joc_clipgain_x_bits`, `joc_clipgain_y_bits`

The `joc_clipgain_x_bits` and `joc_clipgain_y_bits` unsigned integers indicate the value of `joc_clipgain`.

The value of `joc_clipgain` is determined by the following equation:

$$\text{joc\_clipgain} = \left( 1 + \frac{\text{joc\_clipgain\_y\_bits}}{32} \times 2^{(\text{joc\_clipgain\_x\_bits}-4)} \right).$$

The value of `joc_clipgain` is in [1; 8,75].

### 6.3.3.3 `joc_seq_count_bits`

The `joc_seq_count_bits` unsigned integer determines the value `joc_seq_count` that is the state of a frame sequence counter.

The frame sequence counter is used for splice detection in the decoder. It is incremented by one every consecutive frame (up to 1 023). When the maximum value is reached, the counter restarts with the value 1 in the following frame. The value 0 indicates the first frame in the bitstream or the first frame after a splice.

### 6.3.3.4 `b_joc_object_present`

The `b_joc_obj_present` flag indicates whether JOC side information is present in the bitstream for the corresponding audio object.

### 6.3.3.5 `joc_num_bands_idx`

The `joc_num_bands_idx` index indicates the value of `joc_num_bands`.

Table 35 specifies the value of `joc_num_bands` indicated by `joc_num_bands_idx`.



**Table 35: Number of frequency bands for the JOC side information**

<i>joc_num_bands_idx</i>	<i>joc_num_bands</i>
0	1
1	3
2	5
3	7
4	9
5	12
6	15
7	23

### 6.3.3.6 *b\_joc\_sparse*

The *b\_joc\_sparse* flag indicates whether the JOC side information is coded in sparse mode.

### 6.3.3.7 *joc\_num\_quant\_idx*

The *joc\_num\_quant\_idx* index indicates the value of *joc\_num\_quant*.

The value of *joc\_num\_quant* is the number of quantization steps, used for the coding of JOC side information parameters.

Table 36 specifies the value of *joc\_num\_quant* indicated by *joc\_num\_quant\_idx*.

**Table 36: Number of quantization steps for the JOC side information**

<i>joc_num_quant_idx</i>	<i>joc_num_quant</i>
0	96
1	192

## 6.3.4 *joc\_data\_point\_info*

### 6.3.4.1 *joc\_data\_point\_info* overview

The *joc\_data\_point\_info* block contains bitstream elements that indicate the temporal extension of the JOC side information. The side information comprises the number of transmitted data points and the temporal interpolation processing.

### 6.3.4.2 *joc\_slope\_idx*

The *joc\_slope\_idx* index indicates an interpolation type.

The description of the interpolation type indicated by *joc\_slope\_idx* is listed in table 37.

**Table 37: Description of the interpolation type signalled by *joc\_slope\_idx***

<i>joc_slope_select</i>	Interpolation type description
0	smooth (linear interpolation)
1	steep (transition, no interpolation)

NOTE: Clause 6.6.5 specifies smooth and steep interpolation processing.

### 6.3.4.3 `joc_num_dpoints_bits`

The `joc_num_dpoints_bits` unsigned integer indicates the number of JOC data points `joc_num_dpoints`.

The value of `joc_num_dpoints` is determined by the following equation:

$$\text{joc\_num\_dpoints} = \text{joc\_num\_dpoints\_bits} + 1$$

### 6.3.4.4 `joc_offset_ts_bits`

The `joc_offset_ts_bits` unsigned integer indicates the QMF timeslot offset value `joc_offset_ts`.

The offset value `joc_offset_ts` for the corresponding data point is determined by the following equation:

$$\text{joc\_offset\_ts} = \text{joc\_offset\_ts\_bits} + 1$$

## 6.3.5 `joc_data`

### 6.3.5.1 `joc_data` overview

The `joc_data` block contains bitstream elements that indicate the value of `joc_idx`, `joc_vec` or `joc_mtx`.

### 6.3.5.2 `joc_channel_idx`

The `joc_channel_idx` index indicates the input channel for the corresponding parameter band.

Table 38 lists the input channel indicated by `joc_channel_idx` for the two different cases `joc_num_channels = 5` and `joc_num_channels = 7`.

**Table 38: JOC input channel for `joc_num_channels = 5` or `joc_num_channels = 7`**

<code>joc_channel_idx</code>	Input channel if <code>joc_num_channels = 5</code>	Input channel if <code>joc_num_channels = 7</code>
0	Left	Left
1	Right	Right
2	Centre	Centre
3	Left Surround	Left Side
4	Right Surround	Right Side
5	n.a.	Left Back
6	n.a.	Right Back

NOTE: The `joc_channel_idx` index is only present when `joc_sparse_idx = 1`.

### 6.3.5.3 `joc_hcw`

The `joc_hcw` Huffman codeword indicates the value of `joc_channel_idx`, `joc_vec` or `joc_mtx`, when decoded using the corresponding code.

## 6.4 Joint object coding decoder interfaces

### 6.4.1 Input

The `joc_num_channels` QMF matrices are input to the JOC decoder.

**Qin**<sub>JOC,(1, 2, ..., `joc_num_channels`)</sub>

`joc_num_channels` complex valued QMF matrices corresponding to the number of input channels to be processed by the JOC decoder.

NOTE: The **Qin**<sub>JOC</sub> matrices each consist of `num_qmf_timeslots` columns and `num_qmf_subbands` rows.

## 6.4.2 Output

The *joc\_num\_objects* QMF matrices are output of the JOC decoder.

**Qout**<sub>JOC,(1, 2, ..., *joc\_num\_objects*)</sub>

*joc\_num\_objects* complex valued QMF matrices corresponding to the number of output objects to be reconstructed by the JOC decoder.

NOTE: The **Qout**<sub>JOC</sub> matrices each consist of *num\_qmf\_timeslots* columns and *num\_qmf\_subbands* rows.

## 6.4.3 Control

Control parameters of the JOC decoder are coded in the JOC side information.

The parameters for the JOC reconstruction process are coefficients of a reconstruction matrix. To calculate these coefficients the decoder has an interface for temporal data points of coded matrix coefficients and additional parameters to control the decoding, dequantization and the interpolation process.

## 6.5 Parameter band mapping

For the JOC reconstruction process, the parameter bands of the JOC side information are mapped to the QMF subbands.

The parameters contained in the JOC side information are transmitted per parameter band. The number of parameter bands is indicated by *joc\_num\_bands*, as specified in clause 6.3.3.5.

The mapping of grouped QMF subbands to JOC parameter bands is listed in table 39. The columns specify different mappings depending on the value of *joc\_num\_bands* (1 to 23).

**Table 39: Mapping of QMF subbands to JOC parameter bands**

QMF subband	JOC parameter band mapping dependent on <i>joc_num_bands</i>							
	23	15	12	9	7	5	3	1
0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
1	1	1	1	1	1	1	0	0
2	2	2	2	2	2	1	0	0
3	3	3	3	3	2	2	1	0
4	4	4	4	3	3	2	1	0
5	5	5	4	4	3	2	1	0
6	6	6	5	4	3	2	1	0
7	7	7	5	5	3	2	1	0
8	8	8	6	5	4	2	1	0
9	9	9	6	6	4	3	1	0
10	10	9	6	6	4	3	1	0
11	11	10	7	6	4	3	1	0
12 - 13	12	10	7	6	4	3	1	0
14 - 15	13	11	8	7	5	3	2	0
16 - 17	14	11	8	7	5	3	2	0
18 - 19	15	12	9	7	5	3	2	0
20 - 22	16	12	9	7	5	3	2	0
23 - 25	17	13	10	8	6	4	2	0
26 - 29	18	13	10	8	6	4	2	0
30 - 34	19	13	10	8	6	4	2	0
35 - 40	20	14	11	8	6	4	2	0
41 - 47	21	14	11	8	6	4	2	0
48 - 63	22	14	11	8	6	4	2	0



In pseudo code notation, the decoding process for `b_joc_sparse[obj] == 0` is specified as:

### Pseudocode 3

---

```
// input: array joc_mtx[obj][dp][ch][pb]
// output: array joc_mix_mtx_q[obj][dp][ch][pb]
if (b_joc_obj_present[obj]) {
  nquant = (joc_num_quant_idx[obj] == 0) ? 96 : 192;
  for (dp = 0; dp < joc_num_dpoints; dp++) {
    offset = (joc_num_quant_idx[obj] == 0) ? 48 : 96;
    for (ch = 0; ch < joc_num_channels; ch++) {
      joc_mix_mtx_q[obj][dp][ch][0] = (offset + joc_mtx[obj][dp][ch][pb]) % nquant;
      for (pb = 1; pb < joc_num_bands[obj]; pb++) {
        joc_mix_mtx_q[obj][dp][ch][pb] = (joc_mix_mtx_q[obj][dp][ch][pb-1] +
          joc_mtx[obj][dp][ch][pb]) % nquant;
      }
    }
  }
}
```

---

## 6.6.3 Huffman decoding of side information

The Huffman tables define huffman codewords implicitly.

To decode quantized side information values, the JOC decoder shall decode the huffman codewords into values specified in clause A.1.

The decoding process for `huff_decode(joc_huff_code, joc_hcw)` is specified as:

### Pseudocode 4

---

```
huff_decode(joc_huff_code, joc_hcw)
{
  node = 0;
  next_bit = 0;
  do
  {
    next_bit = get_bit(joc_hcw);
    node = joc_huff_code[node][next_bit];
  }
  while (node > 0);

  return (-node-1);
}
```

---

The function `get_bit()` shall read one bit out of the codeword given as argument, starting with the MSB and pointing to the next bit for the following call.

The function `joc_get_huff_code(mode, type)` shall get the huffman code table `joc_huff_code[[]]` as specified in clause A.1.

## 6.6.4 Dequantization of side information

The JOC decoder shall calculate the dequantized coefficients of the matrix *joc\_mix\_mtx\_dq* from the quantized coefficients of the matrix *joc\_mix\_mtx\_q*.

In pseudo code notation the calculation is specified as:

### Pseudocode 5

---

```

for (obj=0; obj < joc_num_objects; obj++) {
  nquant = (joc_num_quant_idx[obj] == 0) ? 96 : 192;
  for (dp=0; dp < joc_num_dpoints; dp++) {
    for (ch=0; ch < joc_num_channels; ch++) {
      for (pb=0; pb < joc_num_bands; pb++) {
        joc_mix_mtx_dq[obj][dp][ch][pb] = (joc_mix_mtx_q[obj][dp][ch][pb] - nquant / 2) *
                                           820 / (4096 * (1 + joc_num_quant_idx[obj]));
      }
    }
  }
}

```

---

**NOTE:** If  $\text{joc\_num\_quant\_idx}[obj] = 0$  for one object *obj*, the values corresponding to this object are dequantized into the range [-9,6; 9,4]; otherwise, the range is [-9,6; 9,5].

## 6.6.5 Temporal interpolation of side information

The JOC decoder shall calculate an interpolated matrix *joc\_mix\_mtx\_interp*.

In pseudo code notation, the calculation of *joc\_mix\_mtx\_interp* is specified as:

### Pseudocode 6

---

```

for (obj=0; obj < joc_num_objects; obj++) {
  for (ch=0; ch < joc_num_channels; ch++) {
    for (sb=0; sb < num_qmf_subbands; sb++) {
      for (ts=0; ts < num_qmf_timeslots; ts++) {
        if (joc_slope_idx[obj] == 0) {
          if (joc_num_dpoints == 1) {
            delta = joc_mix_mtx_dq[obj][0][ch][sb_to_pb(sb)] - joc_mix_mtx_prev[obj][ch][sb];
            joc_mix_mtx_interp[obj][ts][ch][sb] = joc_mix_mtx_prev[obj][ch][sb] +
              (ts+1)*delta/num_qmf_timeslots;
          }
          else {
            ts_2 = floor(num_qmf_timeslots/2);
            if (ts < ts_2) {
              delta = joc_mix_mtx_dq[obj][0][ch][sb_to_pb(sb)] - joc_mix_mtx_prev[obj][ch][sb];
              joc_mix_mtx_interp[obj][ts][ch][sb] = joc_mix_mtx_prev[obj][ch][sb] +
                (ts+1)*delta/ts_2;
            }
            else {
              delta = joc_mix_mtx_dq[obj][1][ch][sb_to_pb(sb)] -
                joc_mix_mtx_dq[obj][0][ch][sb_to_pb(sb)];
              joc_mix_mtx_interp[obj][ts][ch][sb] = joc_mix_mtx_dq[obj][0][ch][sb_to_pb(sb)] +
                (ts-ts_2+1)*delta/(num_qmf_timeslots-ts_2);
            }
          }
        }
        else {
          if (joc_num_dpoints == 1) {
            if (ts < joc_offset_ts[obj][0]) {
              joc_mix_mtx_interp[obj][ts][ch][sb] = joc_mix_mtx_prev[obj][ch][sb];
            }
            else {
              joc_mix_mtx_interp[obj][ts][ch][sb] = joc_mix_mtx_dq[obj][0][ch][sb];
            }
          }
          else {
            if (ts < joc_offset_ts[obj][0]) {
              joc_mix_mtx_interp[obj][ts][ch][sb] = joc_mix_mtx_prev[obj][ch][sb];
            }
            else if (ts < joc_offset_ts[obj][1]) {
              joc_mix_mtx_interp[obj][ts][ch][sb] = joc_mix_mtx_dq[obj][0][ch][sb];
            }
            else {
              joc_mix_mtx_interp[obj][ts][ch][sb] = joc_mix_mtx_dq[obj][1][ch][sb];
            }
          }
        }
      }
      joc_mix_mtx_prev[obj][ch][sb] =
        joc_mix_mtx_dq[obj][joc_num_dpoints-1][ch][sb_to_pb(sb)];
    }
  }
}

```

---

The function *sb\_to\_pb(subband)* shall return the parameter band value corresponding to the QMF subband given as an input argument as specified in clause 6.5.

**EXAMPLE:** If *joc\_num\_bands* = 15 and the input to *sb\_to\_pb(subband)* is the subband value 24, *sb\_to\_pb(24)* returns the value 13.

Before decoding the first E-AC-3 frame, all elements of the *joc\_mix\_mtx\_prev* matrix shall be 0.

## 6.6.6 Reconstruction of the output objects

The JOC decoder shall calculate the output objects from the input channels utilizing the matrix *joc\_mix\_mtx\_interp*.

Input and output are specified as follows:

### Output objects

$$z_{obj}(ts, sb) \in \mathbf{Qout}_{JOC, obj} \text{ for } obj = 0, \dots, joc\_num\_objects - 1$$

NOTE 1: In pseudocode  $z_{obj}(ts, sb)$  is addressed as  $z[obj][ts][sb]$ .

### Input channels

$$x_{ch}(ts, sb) \in \mathbf{Qin}_{JOC, ch} \text{ for } ch = 0, \dots, joc\_num\_channels - 1$$

NOTE 2: In pseudocode  $x_{ch}(ts, sb)$  is addressed as  $x[ch][ts][sb]$ .

In pseudo code notation, the calculation of the output objects  $z_{obj}(ts, sb)$  from the input channels  $x_{ch}(ts, sb)$  is specified as:

### Pseudocode 7

---

```

for (obj=0; obj < joc_num_objects; obj++) {
  for (ch=0; ch < joc_num_channels; ch++) {
    for (ts=0; tp < num_qmf_timeslots; ts++) {
      for (sb=0; sb < num_qmf_subbands; sb++) {
        z[obj][ts][sb] += x[ch][ts][sb] * joc_mix_mtx_interp[obj][ch][ts][sb];
      }
    }
  }
}

```

---

# 7 Quadrature mirror filter bank domain processing

## 7.1 Introduction

To enable alias suppressed frequency-domain audio processing, a complex QMF analysis/synthesis transform pair can be employed.

The QMF analysis transforms a real-valued time-domain input signal into a number of spectral subband signals, each of which represents a decimated signal in that subband.

NOTE: When the transform is complex-valued, the output is oversampled by a factor of two compared to a regular cosine modulated QMF analysis.

The QMF synthesis is the reverse operation of the analysis. It transforms subband signals into a time-domain signal.

Typically, the analysis filter feeds into a history buffer taking the form of a  $n\_timeslots \times n\_subbands$  matrix; processing proceeds on the history buffer which then feeds into the synthesis transform.

## 7.2 Complex analysis processing

The analysis filter transforms  $n$  time domain samples into  $n$  complex frequency-domain subband samples.

The analysis transform maintains a state buffer *qana\_filt* of  $n\_qmf\_length$  real-valued samples.

NOTE: In the following, it is assumed that real and imaginary parts are interleaved.

- 1) Update the input buffer *qana\_filt* by shifting out  $n$  old samples.

### Pseudocode 8

---

```

for (j = n_qmf_length-1; j >= n; j--)
{
  qana_filt[j] = qana_filt[j-n];
}

```

---



- 2) Update the input buffer *qana\_filt* by shifting in *n* new time-domain samples.

**Pseudocode 9**

---

```
for (j = n-1; j >= 0; j--)
{
    qana_filt[j] = pcm[n-1-j];
}
```

---

- 3) Compute vector *z* by pairwise multiplying the elements of *qana\_filt* by window coefficients vector *QWIN[]*.

**Pseudocode 10**

---

```
for (j = 0; j < n_qmf_length; j++)
{
    z[j] = qana_filt[j] * QWIN[j];
}
```

---

- 4) Compute vector *u* as a summation over *z*

**Pseudocode 11**

---

```
for (j = 0; j < 2*n; j++)
{
    u[j] = 0;
    for (k = 0; k <= (n_qmf_length/(2*n))-1; k++)
    {
        u[j] += z[j + k*2*n];
    }
}
```

---

- 5) Compute *n* new subband samples of vector *Q* by the complex-valued matrix multiplication  $\mathbf{Q} = \mathbf{M} \cdot \mathbf{u}$ , where the following equation applies:

$$M_{k,j} = \exp\left(\frac{i \times \pi \times (k+1/2) \times (j-1/2)}{n}\right), \begin{cases} 0 \leq k < n \\ 0 \leq j < 2 \times n \end{cases}$$

**Pseudocode 12**

---

```
for (sb = 0; sb < n; sb++)
{
    /* note that Q[sb] is a complex datatype */
    Q[sb] = 0;
    for (j = 0; j < 2*n; j++)
    {
        Q[sb] += u[j] * exp(i*pi*(sb+0.5)*(j-0.5)/n);
    }
}
```

---

## 7.3 Complex synthesis processing

The synthesis filter transforms *n* complex frequency-domain subband samples *Q[]* into *n* real-valued time-domain samples.

The synthesis transform maintains a state buffer *qsyn\_filt* of  $2 \times n_{\text{qmf\_length}}$  real-valued samples.

- 1) Update the state buffer *qsyn\_filt* by shifting out  $2 \times n$  old samples.

**Pseudocode 13**

---

```
/* shift samples by 2*n */
for (j = 2*n_qmf_length-1; j >= 2*n; j--)
{
    qsyn_filt[j] = qsyn_filt[j-2*n];
}
```

---

- 2) Compute  $2*n$  new real-valued samples by multiplying the complex-valued subband samples  $Q[j]$  by the matrix  $\mathbf{N}$ , where the following equation applies:

$$N_{j,k} = \frac{1}{n} \times \exp\left(\frac{i \times \pi \times (k+1/2) \times (j-2 \times n+1/2)}{n}\right), \begin{cases} 0 \leq k < n \\ 0 \leq j < 2 \times n \end{cases}$$

Store the samples in the state buffer.

#### Pseudocode 14

---

```
for (j = 0; j < 2*n; j++)
{
  qsyn_filt[j] = 0;
  for (sb = 0; sb < n; sb++)
  {
    exponent = i*pi/(4*n)*(2*sb + 1)*(2*j - 2*n - 1);
    qsyn_filt[j] += real(Q[sb]/n * exp(exponent));
  }
}
```

---

- 3) Extract samples from *qsyn\_filt* to create the *n\_qmf\_length*-element vector *g*.

#### Pseudocode 15

---

```
for (j = 0; j < n_qmf_length/(2*n); j++)
{
  for (sb = 0; sb < n; sb++)
  {
    g[2*n*j + sb] = qsyn_filt[4*n*j + sb];
    g[2*n*j + n + sb] = qsyn_filt[4*n*j + 3*n + sb];
  }
}
```

---

- 4) Compute vector *w* by element-wise multiplication of vector *g* by window *QWIN[j]*.

#### Pseudocode 16

---

```
for (j = 0; j < n_qmf_length; j++)
{
  w[j] = g[j] * QWIN[j];
}
```

---

- 5) Calculate *n* new output samples by summation of samples from vector *w*.

#### Pseudocode 17

---

```
for (ts = 0; ts < n; ts++)
{
  pcm[ts] = 0;
  for (j = 0; j < n_qmf_length/n; j++)
  {
    pcm[ts] += w[n*j + ts];
  }
}
```

---

## 7.4 Filter bank coefficients

The QMF is configured by the number *n* of QMF (sub)band and the filter length *n\_qmf\_length*.

The QMF in the present document uses *n* = 64 subbands, and a filter length of *n\_qmf\_length* = 640 (that is, 10 complex coefficients per subband). Table *QWIN* in the file *ts\_103420v010101p0.zip* contains the coefficients.

## 8 Enhanced AC-3 decoding

### 8.1 Requirements on enhanced AC-3 decoding

To decode object-based audio as specified in the present document, an E-AC-3 decoder, as specified in ETSI TS 102 366 [1] shall be used to decode the channel-based downmix from the incoming bitstream. The following additional requirements apply:

- The E-AC-3 decoder shall pass the EMDF payload for JOC metadata to the decoder specified in the present document.
- The E-AC-3 decoder shall pass the EMDF payload for OAMD metadata to the decoder specified in the present document.
- The E-AC-3 decoder shall decode all the dependent substreams, as specified in ETSI TS 102 366 [1], clause E.2.8.2, and pass them to the decoder specified in the present document.

### 8.2 Requirements on EMDF container

To be backward compatible, the payloads for OAMD and JOC side information shall be carried in the EMDF container.

Table 40 lists normative requirements for the EMDF payloads.

**Table 40: Payload restrictions for OAMD and JOC**

	OAMD	JOC
payload_id	11	14
frequency	$1/\text{frame}$	$1/\text{frame}$

Table 41 lists normative requirements for the EMDF payload configuration data, as specified in ETSI TS 102 366 [1], clause H.2.2.3.

**Table 41: Payload configuration data**

Payload configuration data element	Value
duratione	0
groupide	1
groupid	equal for OAMD payload and JOC payload
codecdatæ	1
discard_unknown_payload	0
create_duplicate	0
remove_duplicate	0
priority	0
proc_allowed	0

## Annex A (normative): Tables

### A.1 JOC Huffman code tables

Table A.1: JOC Huffman code `joc_huff_tree_coarse_generic`

<b>Code table name</b>	<code>joc_huff_code_coarse_generic</code>
<b>Mode</b>	0
<b>Type</b>	MTX

Table A.2: JOC Huffman code `joc_huff_tree_fine_generic`

<b>Code table name</b>	<code>joc_huff_code_fine_generic</code>
<b>Mode</b>	1
<b>Type</b>	MTX

Table A.3: JOC Huffman code `joc_huff_tree_coarse_coeff_sparse`

<b>Code table name</b>	<code>joc_huff_code_coarse_coeff_sparse</code>
<b>Mode</b>	0
<b>Type</b>	VEC

Table A.4: JOC Huffman code `joc_huff_tree_fine_coeff_sparse`

<b>Code table name</b>	<code>joc_huff_code_fine_coeff_sparse</code>
<b>Mode</b>	1
<b>Type</b>	VEC

Table A.5: JOC Huffman code `joc_huff_tree_5ch_pos_index_sparse`

<b>Code table name</b>	<code>joc_huff_code_5ch_pos_index_sparse</code>
<b>Mode</b>	5
<b>Type</b>	IDX

Table A.6: JOC Huffman code `joc_huff_tree_7ch_pos_index_sparse`

<b>Code table name</b>	<code>joc_huff_code_7ch_pos_index_sparse</code>
<b>Mode</b>	7
<b>Type</b>	IDX

## A.2 Speaker Zones

Table A.7: Speaker to zone assignment

Speaker	Zone
L	Screen
R	Screen
C	Screen
Ls	Surround, Back/Side (see note 2)
Rs	Surround, Back/Side (see note 2)
Lb	Back
Rb	Back
Tfl	Top-Bottom
Tfr	Top-Bottom
Tbl	Top-Bottom
Tbr	Top-Bottom
Tsl	Top-Bottom
Tsr	Top-Bottom
Tl	Top-Bottom
Tr	Top-Bottom
Tfc	Top-Bottom
Tbc	Top-Bottom
Tc	Top-Bottom
Cb	Surround, Back
Lw	Screen
Rw	Screen
Lscr	Screen
Rscr	Screen

NOTE 1: The centre-and-back zone is a union of the back zone with the centre speaker.  
 NOTE 2: Depending on the representation speaker configuration: Side for 5.X.X, Back otherwise.

## Annex B (informative): Conversion to ADM format

### B.1 Introduction

The present annex specifies a conversion to ADM [i.1] that can be used as a post processing step to the normative decoding process, specified in the present document.

Metadata updates, specified in clause 4.4, are input to the conversion process.

NOTE: The result of the conversion of one metadata update is the combination of the individual conversions, defined in this annex.

The conversion is specified in tables providing information on how to determine the values of the ADM elements and attributes. These values can either be fixed or calculated using the metadata specified in clause 4.4 as input.

EXAMPLE 1: Table B.1 provides the information on the determination of the value for attributes of *admExampleElement* for the case that the value should be set to a fixed value and for the case that the value should be calculated using the fictive value *input\_x* as input. Additionally, the table provides the information on the determination of the value for a sub-element of *admExampleElement* and for an attribute of this sub-element.

**Table B.1: Determination of values in the *admExampleElement* element**

Element name	Attribute name	Value
<i>admExampleElement</i>	<i>exampleAttributeOne</i>	1,0 (fixed value)
<i>admExampleElement</i>	<i>exampleAttributeTwo</i>	$3 \times \text{input\_x}$ (calculation using one value as input)
<i>admExampleSubElement</i>		$12 \times \text{input\_x}$ (calculation using one value as input)
<i>admExampleSubElement</i>	<i>exampleAttributeThree</i>	3,0 (fixed value)

The values of attributes and sub-elements of the following ADM elements are the output of the conversion process:

- *audioChannelFormat* specified in Recommendation ITU-R BS.2076 [i.1], clause 5.3.
- *audioBlockFormat* specified in Recommendation ITU-R BS.2076 [i.1], clause 5.4.
- *audioProgrammeReferenceScreen* specified in Recommendation ITU-R BS.2076 [i.1], clause 5.8.3.
- *audioPackFormat* specified in Recommendation ITU-R BS.2076 [i.1], clause 5.5.

The number of required ADM elements and sub-elements is as follows:

- The number of *audioChannelFormat* elements is equal to the number of objects. All metadata updates for one object are contained in one *audioChannelFormat* element.

EXAMPLE 2: The conversion of object-audio metadata for 12 objects requires 12 *audioChannelFormat* elements.

- The number of *audioBlockFormat* elements is equal to the number of all updates for all objects. The *audioChannelFormat* element contains one or more *audioBlockFormat* elements, where each contains one update of the properties for the corresponding object.

EXAMPLE 2: If each of the 12 objects has 8 updates of its properties, the conversion requires 96 *audioBlockFormat* elements. Each of the 12 *audioChannelFormat* elements contains references to 8 *audioBlockFormat* elements.

- The number of *audioProgrammeReferenceScreen* elements is one. The specification of the reference screen size is equal for all objects.

EXAMPLE 3: One instance of the *audioProgrammeReferenceScreen* element specifies the reference screen size for all of the 8 updates of the 12 objects.

- The number of *audioPackFormat* elements is in the range [1; number of objects]. The *audioPackFormat* element groups one or more *audioChannelFormat* elements and defines a common value for *importance* for the group (see clause B.2.3). The number of required *audioPackFormat* elements depends on how many different values for *priority* are present.

EXAMPLE 4: In the first update all of the 12 objects have the same value for *priority*, so all *audioChannelFormat* elements can be grouped to one *audioPackFormat* element. On the second update 6 objects have a different value from the other 6 objects, but both values are different from the first update. This means two new *audioPackFormat* elements are required. All together three *audioPackFormat* elements are required for these two updates.

## B.2 Object properties

### B.2.1 Position

#### B.2.1.1 Introduction

The conversion of the metadata contained in the *position()* block depends on the value of its element *anchor*.

#### B.2.1.2 Room related position metadata

Conversion of the position metadata elements if *anchor* = room.

**Table B.2: Determination of values in the *audioChannelFormat* element**

Element name	Attribute name	Value
audioChannelFormat	typeDefinition	Objects
audioChannelFormat	typeLabel	0003

**Table B.3: Determination of values in the *audioBlockFormat* element**

Element name	Attribute name	Value
cartesian		1
position	coordinate="X"	$2 \times (\min(0; \max(1; x)) - 0,5)$
position	coordinate="Y"	$2 \times (0,5 - \min(0; \max(1; y)))$
position	coordinate="Z"	$\min(0; \max(1; z))$
NOTE: The values for (x; y; z) are contained in the <i>coordinates</i> element of the <i>position()</i> block.		

#### B.2.1.3 Screen related position metadata

Conversion of the position metadata elements if *anchor* = screen.

**Table B.4: Determination of values in the *audioChannelFormat* element**

Element name	Attribute name	Value
audioChannelFormat	typeDefinition	Objects
audioChannelFormat	typeLabel	0003

**Table B.5: Determination of values in the *audioBlockFormat* element:**

Element name	Attribute name	Value
cartesian		1
screenRef		1
position	coordinate="X"	$2 \times (\min(0; \max(1; x)) - 0,5)$
position	coordinate="Y"	$2 \times (0,5 - \min(0; \max(1; y)))$
position	coordinate="Z"	$\min(0; \max(1; z))$

NOTE: The values for (x; y; z) are contained in the *coordinates* element of the *position()* block.

**Table B.6: Determination of values in the *audioProgrammeReferenceScreen* element**

Element name	Attribute name	Value
aspectRatio		1,78
screenCentrePosition	coordinate="X"	0
screenCentrePosition	coordinate="Y"	0
screenCentrePosition	coordinate="Z"	1
screenWidth	coordinate="X"	$2 \times \text{ref\_screen\_ratio}$

### B.2.1.4 Speaker-related position metadata

Conversion of the position metadata elements if anchor = speaker.

**Table B.7: Determination of values in the *audioChannelFormat* element**

Element name	Attribute name	Value
audioChannelFormat	typeDefinition	DirectSpeakers
audioChannelFormat	typeLabel	0001
audioChannelFormat	audioChannelFormatName	as specified in table B.9
audioChannelFormat	audioChannelFormatID	as specified in table B.9

**Table B.8: Determination of values in the *audioBlockFormat* element**

Element name	Attribute name	Value
cartesian		1
speakerLabel		as specified in table B.10
position	coordinate="X"	as specified in table B.10
position	coordinate="Y"	as specified in table B.10
position	coordinate="Z"	as specified in table B.10



**Table B.9: audioChannelFormatID and audioChannelFormatName for different speaker identifiers**

Speaker identifier	AudioChannelFormatID	AudioChannelFormatName
Left (L)	AC_00011001	RoomCentricLeft
Right (R)	AC_00011002	RoomCentricRight
Center (C)	AC_00011003	RoomCentricCenter
Low-frequency Effects (LFE)	AC_00011004	RoomCentricLFE
Left Surround (Ls)	AC_00011005	RoomCentricLeftSideSurround
Right Surround (Rs)	AC_00011006	RoomCentricRightSideSurround
Left Rear Surround (Lrs)	AC_00011007	RoomCentricLeftRearSurround
Right Rear Surround (Rrs)	AC_00011008	RoomCentricRightRearSurround
Left Front High (Lfh)	AC_00011009	RoomCentricLeftFrontHigh
Right Front High (Rfh)	AC_0001100a	RoomCentricRightFrontHigh
Left Top Middle (Ltm)	AC_0001100b	RoomCentricLeftTopMiddle
Right Top Middle (Rtm)	AC_0001100c	RoomCentricRightTopMiddle
Left Rear High (Lrh)	AC_0001100d	RoomCentricLeftRearHigh
Right Rear High (Rrh)	AC_0001100e	RoomCentricRightRearHigh
Left Front Wide (Lw)	AC_0001100f	RoomCentricLeftWide
Right Front Wide (Rw)	AC_00011010	RoomCentricRightWide
Low-frequency Effects 2 (LFE2)	AC_00011011	RoomCentricLFE2

NOTE 1: The speaker identifier is contained in the *coordinates* element of the *position()* block.  
NOTE 2: The listed audioChannelFormatID and audioChannelFormatName entries are custom definitions for ADM, as specified in Recommendation ITU-R BS.2076 [i.1], section 6.

**Table B.10: speakerLabel and position attributes for different speaker identifiers**

Speaker identifier	SpeakerLabel	Position.coordinate="X"	Position.coordinate="Y"	Position.coordinate="Z"
Left (L)	RC_L	-1	1	0
Right (R)	RC_R	1	1	0
Center (C)	RC_C	0	1	0
Low-frequency Effects (LFE)	RC_LFE	-1	1	-1
Left Surround (Ls)	RC_LSS	-1	0	0
Right Surround (Rs)	RC_RSS	1	0	0
Left Rear Surround (Lrs)	RC_LRS	-1	-1	0
Right Rear Surround (Rrs)	RC_RRS	1	-1	0
Left Front High (Lfh)	RC_LFH	-1	1	1
Right Front High (Rfh)	RC_RFH	1	1	1
Left Top Middle (Ltm)	RC_LTM	-1	0	1
Right Top Middle (Rtm)	RC_RTM	1	0	1
Left Rear High (Lrh)	RC_LRH	-1	-1	1
Right Rear High (Rrh)	RC_RRH	1	-1	1
Left Front Wide (Lw)	RC_LW	-1	0,677419	0
Right Front Wide (Rw)	RC_RW	1	0,677419	0
Low-frequency Effects 2 (LFE2)	RC_LFE2	1	1	-1

NOTE: The speaker identifier is contained in the *coordinates* element of the *position()* block.

## B.2.2 Size

**Table B.11: Requirements on the *audioChannelFormat* element**

Element name	Attribute name	Value
audioChannelFormat	typeDefinition	Objects
audioChannelFormat	typeLabel	0003

**Table B.12: Requirements on the *audioBlockFormat* element**

Element name	Attribute name	Value
cartesian		1
width		width
depth		depth
height		height

## B.2.3 Priority

**Table B.13: Requirements on the *audioPackFormat* element**

Element name	Attribute name	Value
audioPackFormat	importance	round(10×priority)

## B.2.4 Gain

The gain value should be applied to the object essence.

## B.2.5 Channel lock

**Table B.14: Requirements on the *audioChannelFormat* element**

Element name	Attribute name	Value
audioChannelFormat	typeDefinition	Objects
audioChannelFormat	typeLabel	0003

**Table B.15: Requirements on the *audioBlockFormat* element**

Element name	Attribute name	Value
channelLock		channel_lock
channelLock	maxDistance	0,4

## B.2.6 Zone constraints

**Table B.16: Requirements on the *audioChannelFormat* element**

Element name	Attribute name	Value
audioChannelFormat	typeDefinition	Objects
audioChannelFormat	typeLabel	0003

**Table B.17: Requirements on the *audioBlockFormat* element**

Element name	Attribute name	Value
cartesian		1
zoneExclusion		1

Based on the zone constraints the `zoneExclusion` element should contain one or more `zone` sub-elements as specified in table B.18.

**Table B.18: Mapping of zone constraints to ADM Zone elements**

Zone constraints	Number of zone elements	Value(s) of zone element(s)
Back zone excluded	1	• 'ZM1'
Side zone excluded	2	• 'ZM2_Left' • 'ZM2_Right'
All horizontal zones excluded, except centre-and-back zone	4	• 'ZM3_ScreenLeft' • 'ZM3_SideLeft' • 'ZM3_ScreenRight' • 'ZM3_SideRight'
All horizontal zones excluded, except screen zone	1	• 'ZM4'
All horizontal zones excluded, except surround zone	1	• 'ZM5'
Top-Bottom zone excluded (independent from horizontal zones)	1	• 'ZU' • 'ZB'

Each zone sub-element should contain the six attributes *minX*, *maxX*, *minY*, *maxY*, *minZ* and *maxZ* as specified in table B.19.

**Table B.19: Attributes of ADM zone elements**

Zone	minX	maxX	minY	maxY	minZ	maxZ
ZM1	-1	1	-1	-0,41934	-0,49900	0,49900
ZM2_Left	-1	-0,75806	-0,41934	0,83871	-0,49900	0,49900
ZM2_Right	0,75806	1	-0,41934	0,83871	-0,49900	0,49900
ZM3_ScreenLeft	-1	-0,16129	0,5	1	-0,49900	0,49900
ZM3_SideLeft	-1	-0,51611	-0,70700	0,49999	-0,49900	0,49900
ZM3_ScreenRight	0,16129	1	0,5	1	-0,49900	0,49900
ZM3_SideRight	0,5611	1	-0,70700	0,49999	-0,49900	0,49900
ZM4	-1	1	-1	0,83871	-0,49900	0,49900
ZM5	-1	1	0,5	1	-0,49900	0,49900
ZU	-1	1	-1	1	0,49950	1
ZB	-1	1	-1	1	-1	-0,49950

## B.3 Timing metadata

**Table B.20: Requirements on the *audioBlockFormat* element:**

Element name	Attribute name	Value
audioBlockFormat	rtime	HH:MM:SS.sssss, where seconds = $\frac{\text{frame\_offset} + \text{start\_time}}{f_s}$ .
audioBlockFormat	duration	HH:MM:SS.sssss, where seconds = $\frac{\text{start\_time}_{\text{subseq}} - \text{start\_time}}{f_s}$ .
NOTE 1: The values of HH, MM and SS.sssss are calculated as follows: $\text{HH} = \left\lfloor \frac{\text{seconds}}{3600} \right\rfloor$ , $\text{MM} = \text{mod} \left( \left\lfloor \frac{\text{seconds}}{60} \right\rfloor, 60 \right)$ , SS.sssss = $\text{mod}(\text{seconds}, 60)$ .		
NOTE 2: $f_s$ is the sampling frequency of the audio essence.		
NOTE 3: $\text{start\_time}_{\text{subseq}}$ is the <i>start_time</i> value of the subsequent metadata update.		

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