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# AES Standards

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# History AES STANDARDS

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## 1980s

- Digital audio fundamentals
  - Sampling frequencies (AES5)  
*1984, 1997, 2003, 2008*
  - 2-channel interface (AES3)  
*1985, 1992, 2003, 2009*

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## 1990s



- Refinements (synchronous systems)
  - Digital audio measurements (AES17)  
*1991, 1996, 1998, 2015*
  - Studio synchronization (AES11)  
*1991, 1997, 2003, 2009*
  - Multichannel interface, MADI (AES10)  
*1991, 2003, 2008,*

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## 2000s




- Various
  - Digitally-interfaced microphone (AES42)  
*2001, 2006, 2010*
  - Loudspeaker polar radiation measure (AES56)  
*2008*
  - Connection of cable shields (AES48, AES54)  
*2005, 2008*

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# 2010s

- **Audio networking & metadata**
  - Audio over IP networking (AES67)  
*2013, 2015*
  - Streaming metadata (AES52, AES41)  
*2006, 2009, 2012*
  - Metadata sets (AES57, AES60)  
*2011, 2011*
  - Open Control Architecture (AES70)  
*2016*

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# Ongoing Project Status



AESSC WG	AESSC #	IEC #	Description
SC-04-03	AES2	IEC 60268-5, IEC 60268-21	Loudspeakers
SC-02-02	AES3	IEC 60958-4	Digital interface
SC-04-04	n/a	IEC 60268-4	Microphones
SC-02-01	AES17	IEC 61606-1, IEC 61606-3	Digital audio measurement
SC-02-12	AES58	IEC 61883-6	IEEE 1394 bus, Audio and music data
SC-04-04	n/a	IEC 61938	Matching values, phantom power
SC-02-02	AES47	IEC 62365	Audio over ATM networks
SC-02-02	AES3	IEC 62537	Loudspeakers with digital inputs
SC-02-08	AES31-2	IEC 62942	Broadcast Wave Format files

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# Current Project Status



- AES31-2-2012 – IEC PT62942
  - Broadcast Wave File
  - Proposed in 2015 by AEC to IEC TC100
  - CD comment period closes 2017-11-03
  - AESSC SC-02-08 will propose to update AES31-2 in due course to harmonize with IEC 62942

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## Current Project Status



- IEC 60268-21
  - Acoustical Measurements (Output-based)
  - IEC TC100 Work-In-Progress
  - AES SC-04-03 Working Group providing input

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## Current Project Status



- IEC 62537
  - Interface for loudspeakers based on IEC 60958-4
  - IEC TC100 Work-In-Progress
  - AES SC-02-02 Working Group providing input

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# Future AES STANDARDS

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# Future

- Smarter audio networks
  - Self-configuring audio networks
  - Wide-area audio networks
  - Virtualization of audio systems
  - Opportunities using the Internet of Things (IoT)

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# Future Project Proposals



## ➤ AES67

- Currently being revised every 2 years or so
- Will propose to IEC when more stable

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# Audio over IP AES STANDARDS



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## Existing Standards



- AES67 High-performance streaming – audio-over-IP interoperability
- AES70-1 Open Control Architecture – Part 1: Framework
- AES70-2 Open Control Architecture – Part 2: Class structure
- AES70-3 Open Control Architecture – Part 3: Protocol for TCP/IP Networks

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## AES Group Structure



- Digital audio networking standards developed under Working Group SC-02-12
- SC-02-12-L Task group on Open Control Architecture
- SC-02-12M Task group on AES67 development
- SC-02-12N Task group on Media network directory architecture

## Current work



- New revisions in development of both AES67 and AES70
- AES67 Plug-fests held every 1 - 1.5 years
- AES70 group working with OCA Alliance
- Both AES67 and AES70 groups actively working with SMPTE and ITU

## New Projects



- New task group approved: method for transporting time synchronous metadata associated with audio in an AES67 stream
- Group is chaired by Kent Terry from Dolby
- Scope of this work will be refined and fixed during AES October meeting in NY
- First draft standard expected by 4Q 2018

# Thank You



- Questions
- Comments

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