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Foreword

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Introduction

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This standard defines 2048×1080 and 4096×2160 image formats primarily for D-Cinema content acquisition and creation. These image formats may also be used for acquisition and creation of high quality content for other D-Cinema applications.

This standard also defines the Color VANC which conveys the parameter values of user-defined color space and Log curve. This standard may be used in the creation of Computer Graphics and other D-Cinema applications related to the pre Digital Cinema Distribution Master (DCDM) creation.

1 Scope

1.1 This standard defines a family of progressive sample structures of 2048×1080 and 4096×2160 images for D-Cinema content creation as defined in Table 1 and Table 2 in Section 5. This standard specifies:

- R'G'B' color encoding and digital representation¹
- Y'C'_BC'_R color encoding and digital representation
- R'_{FS}G'_{FS}B'_{FS} color encoding and digital representation

This standard also defines tristimulus values and reference white of Free Scale-Gamut (FS-Gamut), Free Scale-Log (FS-Log) curve and a Color VANC packet. The FS-Log curve has an affinity with the sensitivity of human eye and can specify a much wider dynamic range than the nonlinear curve defined in Recommendation ITU-R BT.709. The Color VANC carries tristimulus values, reference white and parameter values of the FS-Log curve.

An auxiliary component A may optionally accompany R'G'B', Y'C'_BC'_R and R'_{FS}G'_{FS}B'_{FS}; these interfaces are denoted R'G'B'A, Y'C'_BC'_RA and R'_{FS}G'_{FS}B'_{FS}A. The "A" component if present, shall have the same characteristics as the G', Y' or G'_{FS} channel.

Sampling structures supported by this standard include, 4:4:4:4, 4:4:4, and 4:2:2.

Note: FS-Gamut and FS-Log are identifying names of the defined color space and the Log curve in this standard.

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¹ Throughout this standard, references to signals represented by a single primed letter (e.g., R', G', B', Y', C'_B, C'_R and R'_{FS}, G'_{FS}, B'_{FS}) refer to signals to which the transfer characteristics in Section 6 have been applied. Such signals are commonly described as being gamma corrected.