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# Introduction to UMID and its Applications

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### Outline

- What is the UMID?
- UMID Application Basics
- UMID Application Principles
- UMID Resolution Protocol
- UMID Applications Specifically for MXF
- Summary

# What is the UMID?

### <u>Unique</u> <u>Material</u> IDentifier

Specified by SMPTE ST 330 and RP 205

"Origin"

"Standards"

#### "Implementations"



**Final Report on** "EBU / SMPTE Task Force for Harmonized Standards for the Exchange of Programme Material as Bitstreams" (Aug. 1998)



"Introduction to XDCAM Metadata" in NAB 2005 BEC

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### **UMID Format**

### Based on Key-Length-Value Encoding



- UL: SMPTE Universal Label (Key)
- L: Length of Value part in byte (Length)
- Inst.#: Instance Number
- Mat.#: Material Number (Globally Unique ID)

(Value)

### Two Distinct Uses of the UMID



### UMID as a Unique Identifier

To associate an AV material with its metadata



### **UMID** based Material Search

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- Can be divided into two distinctive layers
  - UMID realizes "Loose Coupling" between them!



### To Make it Happen in Practice

- Needs industry common UMID resolution protocol
  - To resolves a given UMID of AV material to its URL
- Specifies UMID Application Principles
  - To achieve consistent UMID based material management independent of vendor products

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### What are They?

### Principle A: UMID Integrity

• Different AV materials shall be identified by different UMIDs



### Principle B: UMID Identification

 AV materials representing an identical result at their playout may share the same UMID



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### **UMID Managed Domain**

Embodiment of "UMID Application Principles"



Material 1, 2, 4 and 5 constitute "UMID Managed Domain"

### FCD RP 205

- Specifies
  - UMID Application Principles
- Describes

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Application of Unique N Identifiers in Production Broadcast Environmen	Material n and ts
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- How to implement UMID Managed Domain
- UMID Application Examples
- FAQs
- Status
  - Under ST Audit
    - •To be published shortly!

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### Requirements

- Must provide a method for a given UMID to be converted to the URL of a material.
- Should provide basic technical information of a material together with the URL so that an application can judge its playability in advance.

### DNS (Domain Name System)

Conventional (Unicast) DNS > Multicast DNS (Zeroconf)



#### For Domain Name Resolution (Done for any Internet access)

For Service Discovery (Adopted in ST 2071-3)

### **Preliminary Experiment**

### Using "BIND" (Server) and "nslookup" (client)



### Study Report Part 2-1

- Describes
  - Requirements
  - DNS Basics
  - DNS-based UMID Resolution
    - incl. What SMPTE needs to standardize



#### Status

• Based on the report, a New Draft Group has just set up



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### **MXF Internal Behavior Model**

What is obtained at playout is NOT always the same as what is inside an MXF file



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### For Partial Retrieval

Thanks to the "MP" and "FP" layered structure



Both "UMID as a unique identifier" and "UMID as a linking tool" are accomodated in MXF!

# Study Report Part 2-2

### Describes

- MXF Internal Behavior Model
- UMIDs in MXF
- App. Material Package UMID
- App. File Package UMID
- App. UMIDs in MXF Essence Container



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#### Status

- To be submitted to SMPTE Geneva Meeting (Sep. 2014)
  - Relevant Drafting Group set up to be proposed

### Summary

#### • FCD RP 205

- UMID Application Principles, UMID Managed Domain, UMID Application Examples
  - https://kws.smpte.org/kws/groups/30mr/ballots/ballot?id=1687
- FAQs
  - <u>http://metafrontier.jp/drupal/sites/default/files/info/AnnexD-fm-FCD\_RP205\_2014\_3\_25.pdf</u>
- Study Report Part 2–1
  - UMID Resolution Protocol
    - <u>https://kws.smpte.org/kws/groups/30mr/documents/201403tbd5070</u> /document?document\_id=27420
  - Draft Group
    - <u>https://kws.smpte.org/kws/projects/project/details?project\_id=273</u>
- Study Report Part 2–2
  - UMID Applications Specifically for MXF
    - <u>https://kws.smpte.org/kws/groups/30mr-</u> <u>umid/documents/study4401/document?document\_id=29356</u>