

Engineering News

Invitation to Participate in New Ad-Hoc Group

A control dialect for video and audio servers will be developed by the SMPTE Working Group on Digital Control (P18.10) through a newly formed Ad-Hoc Group. As an initial task, a function listing is being prepared to include extensions to existing VTR and ATR command sets, which will reflect the multichannel and random access nature of servers. These extensions will then be coded to form a server dialect. Anyone wishing to participate in this work is invited to contact either the SMPTE Engineering Dept., 595 W. Hartsdale Ave., White Plains, N.Y. 10607-1824, (914) 761-1100, or the chairman of Working Group P18.10, Paul Jarrett, at +44 (126) 432 3254.

SEEC — SMPTE Engineering Electronic Communications

The SMPTE Engineering Electronic Communications system, is available as a private area on CompuServe, the international computer information network.

SEEC offers users access via computer modems to calendars of SMPTE engineering meetings and other Society activities, a general Engineering Committee bulletin board, and to library and message sections devoted to individual Technology Committees and their subcommittees.

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Committee Information

SMPTE Engineering Committees meet to develop standards, practices, and engineering guidelines and to review existing documents to ensure that they are current with established engineering practices and are compatible with international standards. Individuals interested in contributing to committee work should contact the SMPTE Engineering Dept.

Monthly Meeting Schedule

The adjacent calendar shows the dates of upcoming meetings and the cities where they will be held. Additional information on participation in these meetings is available from the Engineering Dept.

Engineering Meeting Schedule

November

29	AHG on Audio Prod./Post Ent. Progm.	Disney Studios
Wed.	A12.68 (M. Strong)	Burbank, Calif.

December

4	WG on Subjective Test Materials	Sony
Mon.	P18.45 (J. Gaspar)	San Jose, Calif.
4	WG on Editing Procedures	Sony
Mon.	S18.27 (O. Morgan)	
4	WG on Time and Control Code	Sony
Mon.	P18.25 (S. Scott)	
5	WG on Digital Control	Sony
Tues.	P18.10 (P. Jarrett)	
5	WG on Video Index	Sony
Tues.	V18.41 (B. Miller)	
5	WG on Headers and Descriptors	Sony
Tues.	P18.01 (Gerovac/Lechner)	
5	WG on Digital Audio Interfaces	Sony
Tues.	S17.40 (K. Reynolds)	
5	WG on Reference Signal Digital Area	Sony
Tues.	S17.46 (Roe/Lilley)	
5	WG on Serial Digital Jitter	Sony
Tues.	S17.12 (K. Ainsworth)	
6	Committee on TV Production Technology	Sony
Wed.	P18 (M. Weiss)	
6	WG on Advanced TV Productions	Sony
Wed.	S17.39 (F. Remley)	
6	WG on Fiber Optic Camera Cable	Sony
Wed.	S17.44 (F. Della Iacono)	
6	WG on Ancillary Data	Sony
Wed.	S17.10 (J. Safar)	
6	WG on Monitoring and Diagnostics	Sony
Wed.	S17.36 (B. Miller)	
7	WG/ATSS Studio Systems	Sony
Thurs.	S17.02 (N. Neubert)	
7	AHG on Packetized TV Interconnect	Sony
Thurs.	S17.45 (R. Wilson)	
7	WG on Switching and Synchronization	Sony
Thurs.	P18.02 (P. Symes)	
7	WG on TV Compression Systems	Sony
Thurs.	P18.44 (D. Fibush)	
8	Committee on TV Signal Technology	Sony
Fri.	S17 (W. Nicholls)	
11	WG on Tape Archiving	IBM
Mon.	V16.07 (T. Cavanagh)	Tucson, Ariz.
11	WG on TV Record Applications	IBM
Mon.	V16.03 (H. Mahler)	
12	WG on Digital 1/4-in. Record. Format	IBM
Tues.	V16.08 (K. Sadashige)	
12	Committee on TV Record/Repro Technology	IBM
Tues.	V16 (T. Cavanagh)	