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ISO/IEC/Web3D Status Report

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Web3D-related Standards Published

- ISO/IEC 14772-1:1997/Amd 1:2003—VRML
- ISO/IEC 14772-2:2004—VRML EAI
- ISO/IEC 19774:2006—H-Anim
- ISO/IEC 19775-1:2013—X3D (vs. 3.3)
- ISO/IEC 19775-2:2010—X3D SAI (vs. 3.3)
- ISO/IEC 19776-1:2016—X3D XML Encoding (vs. 3.3)
- ISO/IEC 19776-2:2016—X3D Classic VRML Encoding (vs. 3.3)
- ISO/IEC 19776-3:2016—X3D Compressed Binary Encoding (vs. 3.3)



Current SC24 Standards Projects

- ISO/IEC FDIS 19774-1:201x—H-Anim architecture (Vs. 2.0)
- ISO/IEC FDIS 19774-2:201x—H-Anim Motion Animation (Vs. 1.0)
- ISO/IEC DIS 19777-1:201x—X3D ECMAScript language binding (Vs. 2.0)
- ISO/IEC WD 19777-2:201x—Java LB Vs. 3.3
- ISO/IEC CD 19777-3:201x—C LB Vs. 3.3
- ISO/IEC CD 19777-4:201x—C++ LB Vs. 3.3
- ISO/IEC CD 19777-5:201x—C# LB Vs. 3.3
- ISO/IEC WD 19777-6:201x—Python Vs. 3.3



Current SC24 Standards Projects (cont.)

- **ISO/IEC IS 18520:2019—Benchmarking of vision-based geometric registration and tracking method for MAR**
- **ISO/IEC FDIS 18039:201x—MAR reference model**
- **ISO/IEC CD 18038:201x—Sensor representation in MAR**
- **ISO/IEC CD 18040:201x—Live actor and entity representation in MAR**
- **ISO/IEC AWI 21858:20xx—MAR content information model**



SC24 Anticipated Projects

- **X3D EXI Encoding now that EXI specification approved by W3C**
- **X3D JSON Encoding (in work)**
- **HL7 Integration including metadata**
- **X3D Version 4.0 discussions underway**



X3D Version 4.0

- **Goal: Add changes needed to better support HTML5 while remaining backwards compatible as much as possible**
- **Primary areas of investigation:**
 - Event handling and interoperability with the DOM
 - Compatibility with X3DOM & X-cite (formerly Cobweb)
 - Support for non-HTML environments



X3D Version 4.0 Functionality

- **The following is under consideration:**
 - **Annotation component**
 - **Multi-Planar Reconstruction**
 - **Enhancements to Geospatial component**
 - **Haptics**
 - **Corrections and improvements**
 - **NetworkSensor node**
 - **3D printing & 3D scanning enhancements**
 - **glTF access including mesh support**
 - **Advanced materials and advanced lighting models**



X3D Version 4.0 Functionality (cont.)

- Projective texture mapping
- Camera nodes
- Sensors (e.g., GPS)
- Special support for VR
- H-Anim facial animation
- H-Anim internal organ representation
- **Two independent implementations for submission to ISO**
- **Use simultaneous NP/CD ballot mechanism wherever possible**

- **Questions to be answered**
 - Can the event models of X3D and the HTML5 DOM be accessed compatibly?
 - Are two different data models necessary—one supporting X3D events and one supporting DOM events?
 - How much backwards compatibility can be achieved?
 - Must a non-HTML implementation also support DOM activities?



X3D 4.0 Discussion—Guidelines

- **Preferred considerations:**
 - **Backwards compatibility should be considered first.**
 - **X3D authors should not need to sense the environment to tailor their programs.**
 - **Programs should behave the same in every environment.**
 - **Both HTML5 and non-HTML5 environments should be possible.**



X3D 4.0 Discussion—Deletions?

- **Capabilities minimally used:**
 - **Layout component—Should be removed**
 - **GeoOrigin —Currently deprecated but recently discovered to be needed in some instances**
 - **Programmable Shaders component—Should this be removed with shader functionality reserved for browser implementers?**



X3D 4.0 Discussion—Worthy Additions?

- **Capabilities that would expand the ease of use based on long-term research:**
 - **AdvancedMaterials node(s)**
 - **Shadows (perhaps just an on/off switch)**
 - **Flexible body physics**
 - **CSS integration**



X3D 4.0 Discussion—Worthy Additions?

- **Capabilities that would expand the ease of use based on long-term research (cont.):**
 - Projective texture mapping
 - Support for H-Anim 2.0
 - Profile between Core and Interchange
 - Is an HTML5 profile needed?
 - Is a 3D Printing and scanning profile needed?
 - Better point control (shape, size, splat, etc.)

- **In addition to technical aspects of standards development, the following should also be considered:**
 - Urgent need to develop X3D vs. 4.0 text.
 - Urgent need to develop new and modified features in existing browsers where two implementations have not yet occurred.
 - Urgent need for new active participants in SC24 standards development
 - Urgent need for representation on related non-SC24 standards developments



End of Presentation

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ISO/IEC Information

- Standards committees
- Process
- Organization
- Relationship to Liaison Organizations



- **Worldwide federation of standards bodies**
 - 1 per country
 - US = ANSI, Germany = DIN, Korea = KATS, etc.
 - www.iso.org

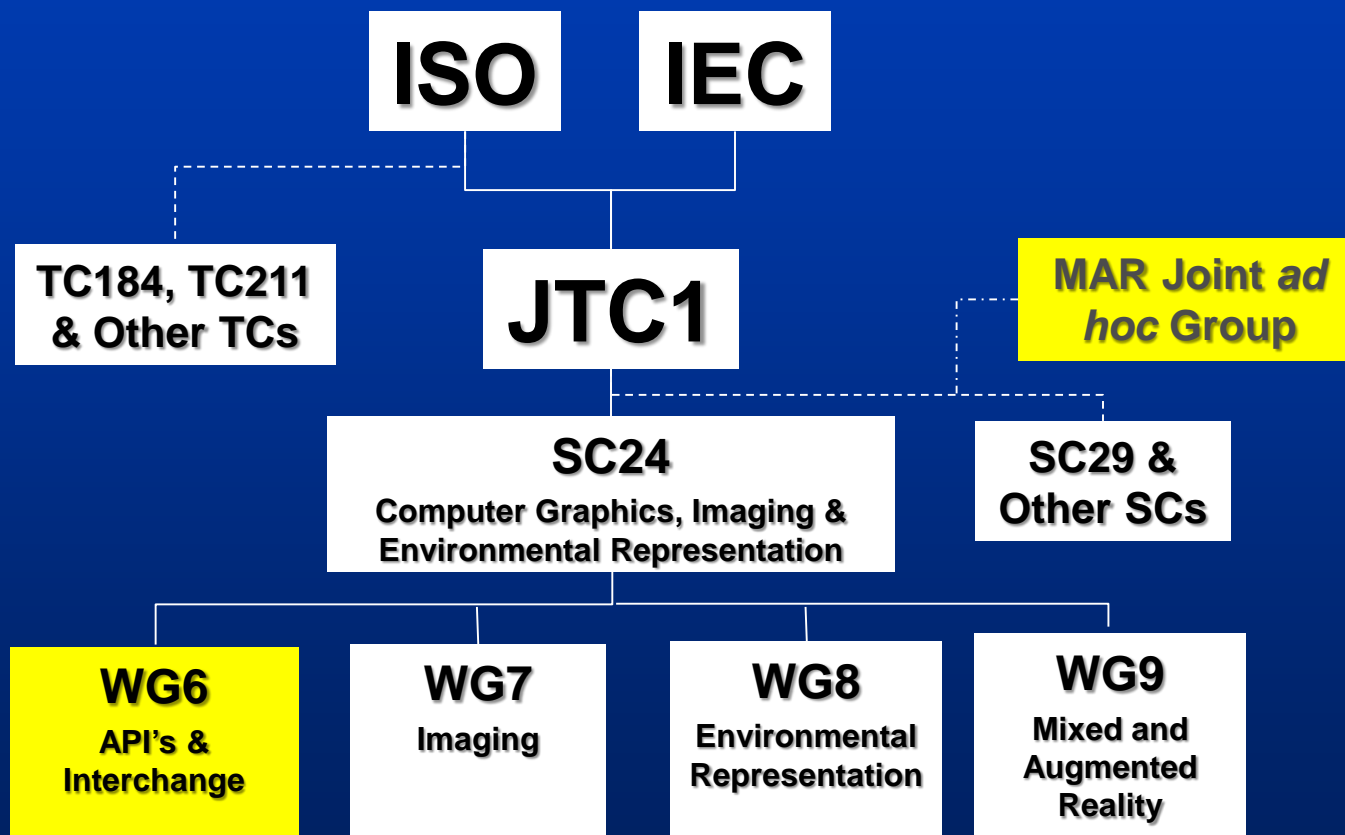


JTC1-Joint Technical Committee 1

- **Joint committee of ISO and IEC**
 - Since 1976
 - Handles ISO/IEC information technology
 - 1/3 of all ISO, IEC work



ISO/IEC JTC1/SC24





SC 24 and Web3D Consortium

- **Category C Liaison**
- **Cooperative Agreement**
 - Spells out rights and procedures
 - Web3D Standards submitted as Committee Drafts
 - Technical work done by Web3D
 - Editorial and technical review done by SC 24
 - ISO standard owned by both parties separately



Web3D Procedures

- **Technical work initiated by BOD**
- **Technical work occurs within a Web3D WG**
- **Two independent implementations required for Web3D approval and ISO submission**
- **Both BOD and Membership must approve forwarding to ISO**
- **X3D WG provides architectural control and design integrity check**



ISO Projects

- Each new standard, amendment, or revision requires a new project.
- Projects are approved by JTC1 based on New Work Item Proposal (NWIP).
- New projects require about 6 months to be approved and can be submitted at any time.
- Web3D drafts are processed as HTML documents.



ISO Procedures

- **Input text from Web3D registered as Committee Draft**
- **CD is circulated for review and ballot (4 months).**
- **Comments received are only justification for changing the text**
- **Technical changes may induce another balloting round.**
- **When ready, last CD is registered as DIS and circulated within JTC1 for vote.**
- **When ready, last DIS is registered as DIS and circulated within JTC1 for YES/NO vote.**
- **Final Text published as International Standard.**



Types of standardization

- **New standard:** New independent specification
- **New Part:** Independent portion of a standard within an overall standard. Ex.: X3D Part 2: SAI
- **Amendment:** Changes (modifications, additions, deletions) to existing standard. Ex.: Amendment 1 to X3D Part 1
- **Revision:** Makeover of existing standard and/or incorporation of amendments (considered for each standard at least every five years or required after two amendments). Ex. X3D 2008
- **Registration:** Add new optional nodes, PROTOs, or other items focused at specific targets



Possible Future Web3D Work

- **Additional functionality for X3D**
 - New nodes
 - New components
 - New profiles
- **Additional parts to X3D standards**
 - Binary Encoding based on EXI
 - JSON Encoding
 - Additional language bindings
- **Revised non-X3D Web3D standards**
 - Revision to ISO/IEC 19774—H-Anim
- **New non-X3D Web3D Standards**



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