HbbTV’s tools for improving interoperability

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HbbTV: Improving Interoperability

- Plugfests
- DRM Reference Application
- Device Test Suite
- DASH Content Validator
HbbTV Test Suite

- Designed to provide at least minimum conformance of devices entering the market
  - Approximately 2000 tests
  - Covers HbbTV 2.0.1, tests coming for OpApps and 2.0.2 (HDR, NGA, HFR)

- Additional materials for regional platforms build on this (e.g. Freeview Play, Tivú, DRM Test Suites)

- Not sufficient alone, but the foundation on which to build interoperability…
HbbTV Plugfests

- Run by HbbTV Association (and others in country)
- Voluntary & Open (including non-HbbTV members)
- Variety of participants
  - Manufacturers
  - App developers
  - Operators/broadcasters
  - Service providers
HbbTV/DVB DASH Content Validator
Key Questions

- Why would you need the DVB-HbbTV validator?
- What is the validator and how to use it?
- What is next for the validator software?
- Resources
Why would you need the DVB-HbbTV validator?

• You implemented a DASH feature
  – in packager/encoder and need to test it,
  – in player, but the content you have won’t work
• As a service provider, things are just not working
• Investigate the features in a given content
What is DVB-HbbTV Validator Software?

• DVB-HbbTV Validator Software is an extension to DASH-IF Conformance Software
• The software checks if
  – the provided MPEG-DASH MPD manifest
  – media content (segments) pointed to by the provided manifest

   conform to DASH-related media specifications.
• Thus, it provides crucial information for content generators and service providers.
What are DVB-HbbTV Validator Software features?

• Specifications against which conformance is performed include:
  – MPEG-DASH ISO/IEC 23009-1
  – DVB MPEG DASH Profile v1.1.1
  – HbbTV 1.5 Specification
  – DASH-IF IOP 4.2
  – CTA WAVE Content Conformance
  – ISO BMFF ISO/IEC 14496-12
  – CMAF ISO/IEC 23000-19

• Checks include:
  – MPEG-DASH MPD validation (XML, DASH schema, and MPEG-DASH MPD rules)
  – Segment Validation (ISO BMFF and MPEG-DASH segment rules)
  – Cross-representation validation (MPEG-DASH cross-representation rules)
  – Live MPD segment access validation
  – Above items for above mentioned specifications

Note: The checks are done till the ISO BMFF level (no checks on track media level)
## DVB-HbbTV feature checks

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<td>If a Period element contains multiple Adaptation Sets with @contentType=&quot;video&quot; then at least one Adaptation Set shall contain a Role element with @schemeURL=&quot;urn:mpeg:dash:role:2011&quot; and @value=&quot;main&quot;.</td>
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<td>Representations and segments shall comply with the formats defined in ISO/IEC 23009-1 [1], clause 7.3.</td>
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<td>In Media Segments, all Segment Index (‘sidx’) and Subsegment Index (‘ssidx’) boxes, if present, shall be placed before any Movie Fragment (‘moof’) boxes.</td>
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<td>Subtitle segments shall be available at or before the time at which other media segments with which they are presented become available.</td>
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<td>All the initialization segments for Representations within an Adaptation Set shall have the same sample entry type (see ISO/IEC 14496-12 [6]).</td>
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<td>- @scanType, if interlaced pictures are used within any Representation in the Adaptation Set</td>
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How to access DVB-HbbTV Validator Software?

- **Accesible online via DASH-IF**
  - [https://conformance.dashif.org](https://conformance.dashif.org)

- **DASH-IF Test vectors as sample:**
  - [http://testassets.dashif.org/](http://testassets.dashif.org/)

- **Source code and issue reporting**
How does DVB-HbbTV Validator Software work?

1. INPUT
1. Provide MPD
2. Optionally enforce profiles
3. Click GO

2. PROCESS
1. Perform checks for conformance
2. Generate reports

3. RESULTS
Check result report
How does DVB-HbbTV Validator Software work? (cont’d)

• MPD can be provided through the following ways:
  – URL can be provided if the MPD is located on an accessible server in the text box.
  – If MPD is stored locally, file upload or drag & drop features can be used.

• Optionally enforce profiles for enabling conformance checks for enforced specifications (gear icon on top-right).

• Click \textbf{GO} and wait for the results.
• Conformance checks are performed for the provided MPD and the media content pointed to by this MPD.

• Reports are generated for users to check and analyze.
How does DVB-HbbTV Validator Software work? (cont’d)

• Generated reports are provided to users in a tree format on the web interface. Green tick indicates conformance, warning icon indicates conformance with warnings and cancel button indicates nonconformance.

• User can double click on any report indicated by a file icon to see the results. Reports are color-coded for information, warning, and error messages for easier reading.

• User can report any issue regarding the results and/or software tool by clicking on the bottom of the web interface.
How does DVB-HbbTV Validator Software work? (cont’d)

Live Conformance

- When MPD@type = dynamic
  - A link redirecting to live conformance is provided on the web interface.
  - When clicked, Live Conformance opens up on a new tab.
  - Click
  - Segment availability start times and segment availability end times will be checked
  - The results will be printed on “Process in detail” panel
Recent updates

• Speed improvements:
  – Dec 2018: 80% of the MPD tests took less than 7 seconds
  – Today: 80% of the tests took less than 3: ~60% time reduction
• HTTPS, GDPR
• New A/V codec support: ac-3, ac-4, ec-3, dtsc, dtsh, dtse, dtsl, enca, encv
• minbuffertime/bandwidth reporting
• More DASH/DASH-IF features, UI updates,…
What’s next

- New codec and protocol updates
- New UI
- Positive reporting
- and more…
HbbTV
DASH-DRM Reference Application
Features

- Adaptive video resolutions from 640x480 to 3840 x 2160 (DASH / Live DASH)
- Playready and Marlin (unofficially also Widewine)
- HbbTV 1.5 (OIPF), HbbTV 2.0 (HTML5) and MSE-EME (Edge, Xbox, other PC browsers) players
- DataCues, DASH Events, multiple audio, subtitles both in-band and out-of-band
- Live DASH including multi moof/mdat segments tests (low latency)
- Complete Tool chain for creating suitable test materials
Technical diagram

Video Catalogue Application

Selects version for Video Player

Video/Manifest.mpd

Get Video Assets

URL

Catalogue configuration is defined
As a JSON file. It can be a static file or a dynamic backend

The structure of the configuration file is designed to represent a VOD catalogue. If a different backend is used, a proxy can be implemented as a getter/formatter for the data used in the application

DRM

Before playback

No, straight Play

Has Subtitles?

Yes

HbbTV uses OIPF
DRM Agent for Playready
And Marlin licence acquisition.
MSE-EME utilizes DRM methods of the dashjs library

a) In-Band subtitles are delivered inside the segments
b) Out-Of-Band subtitles are set as text track embedded elements with XML URLs

DataCue In-Band events are listened and recognized on application side from any Cuechange events of a TextTrack in both cases

a) HbbTV 1.5
b) HbbTV 2.0.1
C) MSE-EME

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Content generation tools

  - Transcodes input file to one or more resolution/bitrate stream
  - Creates Dash init.mp4, segment.m4s and manifest.mpd files (NoDRM)
  - Creates image.jpg thumbnail images
  - Encrypts Dash files (MultiDRM)

- Dasher is internally using widely recognized opensource tools:
  - ffmpeg for transcoding and thumbnail image
  - mp4box for encryption and dash packager

- Github tools also contain
  - example script for Microsoft DRM test server url
  - example script for ExpressPlay DRM server
  - inserter for mp4 EMSG message object (in-band events)
Live presentation of the APP

• Microsoft Edge / MSE-EME mode
How to use and help

  – Separate instances for *production* (stable - updated in line with test suite) and *staging* (more frequent updates with new features enabled for testing)
• Get the code and assets: [https://github.com/HbbTV-Association/ReferenceApplication](https://github.com/HbbTV-Association/ReferenceApplication)
  – Code in the repo matches the one available in staging
  – TS file provided for easy signaling
• Fork or contribute as you please!
• Drop us an email or tweet if you find it useful.
HbbTV: Improving Interoperability
HbbTV Improving Interoperability Task Force (IITF)

• See also https://www.hbbtv.org/resource-library/

• The IITF is a forum to raise issues of interoperability,
  • But please note, the HbbTV association must respect antitrust rules, and cannot
    be party to sharing details of specific implementations.

• IITF will re-direct to the appropriate working group in HbbTV where possible,
  – or consider further appropriate approaches to improving interoperability
    that have cross industry support.

• Contact: HBBTV-improvinginteroperability@ConnectedCommunity.org
Questions?

Thank You!