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- Part 4: Conformance testing
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- Part 6: Extensions for DSM-CC
- Part 7: Advanced Audio Coding (AAC)
- Part 9: Extension for real time interface for systems decoders
- Part 10: Conformance extensions for Digital Storage Media Command and Control (DSM-CC)
- Part 11: IPMP on MPEG-2 systems

#### Introduction

The standardization body ISO/IEC JTC 1/SC 29/WG 11, also known as the Moving Pictures Experts Group (MPEG), was established in 1988 to specify digital video and audio coding schemes at low data rates. MPEG completed its first phase of audio specifications (MPEG-1) in November 1992, ISO/IEC 11172-3. In its second phase of development, the MPEG Audio subgroup defined a multichannel extension to MPEG-1 audio that is backwards compatible with existing MPEG-1 systems (MPEG-2 BC) and defined an audio coding standard at lower sampling frequencies than MPEG-1, ISO/IEC 13818-3.

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