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- ~~— New 8-bytes unit definition of length code is added.~~
- ~~— An erratum in Clause 7 as for indication of the burst payload type is corrected.~~

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Part 1: General

1 Scope

This part of IEC 61937 applies to the digital audio interface using the IEC 60958 series for the conveying of non-linear PCM encoded audio bitstreams.

It describes the way in which this digital interface can be used in consumer applications.

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Partie 1: Généralités

1 Domaine d'application

La présente partie de l'IEC 61937 s'applique à l'interface audionumérique conforme à la série IEC 60958 pour l'acheminement des flux de bits audio à codage MIC non linéaire.

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