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**DIGITAL AUDIO INTERFACE –**

**Part 3: Consumer applications**

## 1 Scope

This part of IEC 60958 specifies the consumer application of the interface for the interconnection of digital audio equipment defined in IEC 60958-1.

NOTE When used in a consumer digital processing environment, the interface is primarily intended to carry stereophonic programmes, with a resolution of up to 20 bits per sample, an extension to 24 bits per sample being possible.

## 2 Normative references

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