­­­Digital-AV Software Development Kit provides the foundation for a fully working bible application, with no external dependencies. The SDK provides everything, including data with indexes. Be up and running in under an hour! Easily jumpstart your development by leveraging sources in the foundational releases.

# Directory Content (48 bytes per record)

|  |  |  |  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
| **Content**  **Label**  char[16] | **Content Offset**  uint32 | **Content**  **Length**  uint32 | **Record**  **Length**  uint32 | **Record Count**  uint32 | **Content**  **Hash**  uint64[2] |
| Directory | 0 | 384 | 48 | 8 | 00000000000000000000000000003507 |
| Book | 384 | 3,216 | 48 | 67 | BE0DE7885CDEE6C1ABAEF028E0A9F967 |
| Chapter | 3,600 | 7,134 | 6 | 1,189 | 29D5C0D1AFF79C95BE3A964891126FBE |
| Written | 10,734 | 18,951,624 | 24 | 789,651 | A1F54F560E73511DA77DCDB91A85EFDB |
| Lexicon | 18,962,358 | 246,258 | 0 | 12,567 | F1C7694D3C5B15A526845D7A4946BDFE |
| Lemmata | 19,208,616 | 182,344 | 0 | 15,171 | B64F907ABC54470F2D227D8AC5703E33 |
| OOV-Lemmata | 19,390,960 | 7,754 | 0 | 771 | ADEA45027082EC56EA59B079EF94C96F |
| Names | 19,398,714 | 60,727 | 0 | 2,470 | B7885CB9C8F0293A3845818BD5A4DCEC |

The Digital-AV SDK (AV SDK) is entirely file based. There are zero dependencies and zero language bias (all programming languages can read a file). The Ω-Series SDK is derived from the earlier Z-Series SDK. The main difference is the Ω-Series use a single content file, beginning with a content directory as depicted above (The Z-Series releases have multiples files and a separate inventory file similar to the directory). The directory identifies the content sections for easy deserialization. The first field is the label, followed by an offset, and a length (in bytes). It also includes record length: zero (0) indicates that the record is variable length; non-zero length means that the record is fixed length. Record count, and content hash [using MD5] are the final fields for each directory item.

The file format defined in this document pertains to the Ω-Series releases. Both Ω and Z series formats are similar, but not identical. Consequently, some formats that have been revised in the Ω-Series do not have corresponding revisions in the Z-Series SDK specification.

# Written Content (24 bytes per record)

|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
| **Record #**  ***0 bits*** | | **Hebrew | Greek**  ***4 x uint16*** | **B:C:V:W**  ***4 x byte*** | **Caps**  ***2 bits*** | **Word Key**  ***14 bits*** | **Punc**  ***byte*** | **Transition**  ***byte*** | **PN+POS(12)**  ***uint16*** | **POS(32)**  ***uint32*** | **Lemma**  ***uint16*** |
| 0 | | 0x391C 0 0 0 | 1:1:1:10 | 0x8\_\_\_ | 0x0015 (in) | 0x00 | 0xE8 | 0x00E0 | 0x40080470 | 0x0015 |
| 1 | | 0x391C 0 0 0 | 1:1:1:9 | 0x0\_\_\_ | 0x0136 (the) | 0x00 | 0x00 | 0x0D00 | 0x00000094 | 0x0136 |
| 2 | | 0x391C 0 0 0 | 1:1:1:8 | 0x0\_\_\_ | 0x24F9 (beginning) | 0x00 | 0x00 | 0x4010 | 0x000001DC | 0x24F9 |
| … | | << Beginning of Genesis 1 depicted above >> | | | | | | | |  |
| 0xBDDB9 | | 0x25A0 0 0 0 | ­66:22:21:35 | 0x8\_\_\_ | 0x0136 (the) | 0x00 | 0xE0 | 0x0D00 | 0x00000094 | 0x0136 |
| 0xBDDBA | | 0x25A0 0 0 0 | ­66:22:21:34 | 0x8\_\_\_ | 0x2CB2 (revelation) | 0x00 | 0x00 | 0x4010 | 0x000001DC | 0x2CB2 |
| 0xBDDBB | | 0x0978 0 0 0 | ­66:22:21:33 | 0x0\_\_\_ | 0x001D (of) | 0x00 | 0x00 | 0x0400 | 0x80004206 | 0x001D |
| … | | << Beginning of Revelation 1 depicted above >> | | | | | | | |  |
| 0xC0C91 | | 0x1460 0 0 0 | 66:22:21:3 | 0x0\_\_\_ | 0x015C (you) | 0x00 | 0x00 | 0x20C0 | 0x00083BBD | 0x015C |
| 0xC0C92 | | 0x0F74 0 0 0 | 66:22:21:2 | 0x0\_\_\_ | 0x0036 (all) | 0xE0 | 0x04 | 0x0D00 | 0x00000004 | 0x0036 |
| 0xC0C93 | | 0x0119 0 0 0 | 66:22:21:1 | 0x8\_\_\_ | 0x018A (amen) | 0xE0 | 0xFC | 0x8000 | 0x8000550E | 0x018A |
|  | << End of Revelation 22:21 depicted above >> | | | | | | | | | |

# The most substantial content contained in the directory is that which is Written. It represents the stream of words for each verse of each chapter of each book of the KJV bible. These are not text files. Therefore, they are quite compact. Several fields are index lookups into other SDK content. Collectively, the entire content manifests an efficient database of word embeddings that can compactly reside in RAM.

|  |  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- | --- |
| **Strong’s #1** | **Strong’s #2** | **Strong’s #3** | **Strong’s #4** |
| 1st numeric | 2nd numeric | 3rd numeric | 4th Strongs # |

The first field of Written content contains Strong’s numbers[[1]](#footnote-1). These are a numeric representation of the original Hebrew/Greek words from which the sacred text was originally translated.

Hebrew | Greek

The Ω-series releases eliminate the AV-Verse index and place that information directly in the Written content records instead. Indexing into Written from Chapter provides verse coordinates and word counts. Navigating to subsequent verses is accomplished via the word-count for the verse. The first word always contains the word count of the verse; each subsequent word contains a countdown until one (i.e. that last word of the verse is marked with a \*:\*:\*:1)

|  |  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- | --- |
| **Description** | |  | **Bit Pattern (Hex)** |
|  | English Word |  | 0x3FFF (mask for lexicon lookup) |
|  | 1st Letter Cap |  | 0x8000 (example: Lord) |
| All Letters CAPS | |  | 0x4000 (example: LORD) |

|  |  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- | --- |
| **Description** | | | **Bits** |
| PUNC::clause | | | 0xE0 |
| PUNC::exclamatory | | | 0x80 |
| PUNC::interrogative | | | 0xC0 |
|  | PUNC::declarative |  | 0xE0 |
| PUNC::dash | | | 0xA0 |
|  | PUNC::semicolon |  | 0x20 |
| PUNC::comma | | | 0x40 |
| PUNC::colon | | | 0x60 |
| PUNC::possessive | | | 0x10 |
| PUNC::closeParen | | | 0x0C |
|  | MODE::parenthetical |  | 0x04 |
| MODE::italics | | | 0x02 |
|  | MODE::Jesus |  | 0x01 |

Punctuation & Decoration

Word Key & Capitalization Field

The next sixteen bits can be thought of as two distinct fields: the first two bits, ***Caps***, identify whether to apply capitolization rules to the lexical word. 0x8\_\_\_ means to capitolize the first letter of the word (e.g. Lord). 0x4\_\_\_ means to capitolize all letters of the the word (e.g. LORD). Clearly, in English, the first letter of the first word of a sentence is capitolized, and these bits facilitate all such capitolization rules. When no bits are set, this indicates that the word should be represented exactly as it appears in the lexicon. The remaining 14-bits are referred to as the ***Word Key*** (a lookup key into the Lexicon). The next field is the ***Punctuation*** byte. Each word can be preceded by punctuation (e.g. an open parenthesis). More often, punctuation follows the word. The ***Punctuation*** byte also contains possible ***Decoration***. Decoration includes italisized words, and words spoken by Jesus, which some bibles represent as red-colored text. The field is entirely bitwise and many forms of punctuation and decoration can simultaneouslt apply to a single word in the text.

Transition bits are a composition of Verse-Transitions and Segment-Markers. These represent a compact mechanism for data file traversal, obviating the need for leveraging additional index files. The five left-most bits mark book, chapter, and verse transitions. The three right-most bits mark linguistic segmentation [sentence and/or phrase] boundaries. Tthese boundaries are based upon a verse transitions and punctuation.

Verse Transitions

|  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- |
| **Description** |  | **5-bits** |
| EndBit |  | 0x10 |
| BeginningOfVerse |  | 0x20 |
| EndOfVerse |  | 0x30 |
| BeginningOfChapter |  | 0x60 |
| EndOfChapter |  | 0x70 |
| BeginningOfBook |  | 0xE0 |
| EndOfBook |  | 0xF0 |
| BeginningOfBible |  | 0xE8 |
| EndOfBible |  | 0xF8 |

Segment Transitions

|  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- |
| **Description** |  | **3-bits** |
| HardSegmentEnd |  | 0x04 |
| CoreSegmentEnd |  | 0x02 |
| SoftSegmentEnd |  | 0x01 |
| RealSegmentEnd |  | 0x06 |

|  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- |
| *Hard Segments:* |  | **. ? !** |
| *Core Segments:* |  | **:** |
| *Real Segments:* |  | **. ? ! :** |
| *Soft Segments:* |  | **, ; ( ) --** |

PN+POS(12) is a sixteen bit field with the left-most nibble representing Person Number (PN). PN applies to pronouns and verb casing. Early Modern English was richer than our English today, with additional pronouns and verb cases for Second-Person-Singular and Third-Person-Singular. The Digital-AV captures and preserves all such case markings. For instance, ***thy*** is second-person singular whereas Early Modern English ***you*** is always plural form of this pronoun. The SDK encodes the markings for both person and number using the binary representation depicted in the table to the right. Similarly, the remaining twelve bits provide course part-of-speech markers.

POS (12 bits)

|  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- |
| **Description** |  | **Left-Most Nibble** |
| Person bits |  | 0x3--- (0b--11) |
| Number bits |  | 0xC--- (0b11--) |
| Indefinite |  | 0x0--- (0b--00) |
| 1st Person |  | 0x1--- (0b--01) |
| 2nd Person |  | 0x2--- (0b--10) |
| 3rd Person |  | 0x3--- (0b--11) |
| Singular |  | 0x4--- (0b01--) |
| Plural |  | 0x8--- (0b10--) |
| WH\* |  | 0xC--- (0b00--) |

|  |  |
| --- | --- |
| NounOrPronoun | 0x-03- |
| Noun | 0x-01- |
| Noun: unknown gender | 0x-010 |
| Proper Noun | 0x-03- |
| Pronoun | 0x-02- |
| Pronoun: Neuter | 0x-021 |
| Pronoun: Masculine | 0x-022 |
| Pronoun: Non-feminine**\*** | 0x-023 |
| Pronoun: Feminine | 0x-024 |
| Pronoun/Noun: Genitive | 0x-0-8 |
| Pronoun: Nominative | 0x-06- |
| Pronoun: Objective | 0x-0A- |
| Pronoun: Reflexive | 0x-0E- |
| Pronoun: no case/gender | 0x-020 |
| Verb | 0x-1-- |
| to | 0x-200 |
| Preposition | 0x-400 |
| Interjection | 0x-800 |
| Adjective | 0x-A00 |
| Numeric | 0x-B00 |
| Conjunction | 0x-C0- |
| Determiner | 0x-D0- |
| Particle | 0x-E00 |
| Adverb | 0x-F00 |

Person/Number (4 bits)

The remaining twelve bits of POS(12) provide bitwise information on the word usage in the context of this verse. The table to the left shows the meaning of the various bits. There is an additional POS(32) field that has much greater fidelity on the part-of-speech for the word. POS(32) is a five-bit encoding of a human readable string. See the section labeled “Additional notes about Part-of-Speech in Digital-AV” for additional details.

**\*** ***his*** is used ambiguously in the Authorized Version for third-person-singular pronouns. ***his*** is either masculine or neuter (***its*** appears just once in the sacred text). Therefore, ***his*** can neither be uniformly marked as masculine, nor neuter. Instead, we mark the genitive pronoun ***his*** as non-feminine.

Book content provides indicies into Chapter content, Written content. It also provides chapter-counts and word-counts (for each of the sixty-six books of the bible). It reserves a fixed sixteen-byte field for the book-name, a fixed nine-byte field (2+3+4) for 2-character, 3-character, and 4-character abbreviations. The remaining nine bytes are a comma-delimited list of any additional alternate abbreviations.

# Book Content (48 bytes)

|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
| **Book**  **Number**  ***byte*** | **Chapter**  **Count**  ***byte*** | **Chapter**  **Index**  ***uint16*** | **Writ Count *uint16*** | **Writ**  **Index**  ***uint32*** | **Book**  **Name**  ***16 bytes* (utf8)** | **Abbreviations (utf8)** | | |
| **a2 a3 a4**  ***(12 bytes)*** | **Alternates**  ***(10 bytes)*** | |
| 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0x3507 | Omega 3.5.07---- | 35-o35-Ω35 - | | ---------- |
| 1 | 50 | 0 | 38262 | 0 | Genesis--------- | Ge-Gen-Gen-- | | Gn-------- |
| 2 | 40 | 50 | 32685 | 38262 | Exodus---------- | Ex-Exo-Exod- | | ---------- |
| 3 | 27 | 90 | 24541 | 70947 | Leviticus------- | Le-Lev-Lev-- | | Lv-------- |
|  | | | | | | | | |
| 66 | 22 | 1167 | 11995 | 777656 | Revelation------ | Re-Rev-Rev-- | |  |

The dashes (-) represent zero ('\0'). The nine byte field above, namely "a2 a3 a4" comprises 2-character, 3-character, and 4-character abbreviations. AV-Book.ix has an updated format in the Z32 release. Note that the newer format now contains 67 records instead of 66. The zeroth record contains metadata about the revision and makes record #1 correspond to book #1.

|  |
| --- |
| Chapter Content (6 bytes) |

nibble)

|  |  |  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
| **Record #**  **0 bits** | **Writ**  **Index**  **Uint16** | **Writ Count**  **uint16** | **Book**  **Num**  **byte** | **Verse Count**  **byte** |
| 0x000  (genesis:1) | 0 | 797 | 1 | 31 |
| 0x001  (genesis:2) | 797 | 632 | 1 | 25 |
| 0x002  (genesis:3) | 1429 | 695 | 1 | 24 |
|  | **. . .** | | | |
| 0x4A2  (revelation:20) | 10196 | 477 | 66 | 15 |
| 0x4A3  (revelation:21) | 10673 | 749 | 66 | 27 |
| 0x4A4  (revelation:22) | 11422 | 573 | 66 | 21 |

***NOTE:***

Chapter content differs significantly from earlier revisions, as it how includes book number and verse count, superseding the Verse-Index found in the Z-Series releases. Verse look-up is now performed using the WritIndex and referencing the B:C:V:W field of Written content. As WritIndex is now 16-bits, it needs to be added to Book[num]. WritIndex on implementations where deserialization of Written content instantiates a single array (It is recommended that deserialization creates 66 distinct Written arrays, one for each book. When Written content is segmented by book, the 16-bit WritIndex is appropriate for direct indexing into the segmented array of records for that book).

|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
| **Part-of-Speech (POS32): uint32** | **Word Key**  **uint16** | | **PN+POS12 bits: uint16** | **Count**  **uint16** | **Lemmata Array**  **Uint16[] (Word or OOV keys)** | |
| 0x00000036 | 0x0001 (a) | | 0x0F00 | 1 | 0x0001 | |
| 0x00000094 | 0x0001 (a) | | 0x0D00 | 1 | 0x0001 | |
| 0x80004206 | 0x0001 (a) | | 0x0400 | 1 | 0x0001 | |
| 0x01074F9C | 0x0002 (i) | | 0x4080 | 1 | 0x0002 | |
| … |  | |  |  |  | |
| 0x00003A1C | 0x027A (elim) | | 0x4030 | 1 | 0x027A | |
| 0x000001DD | 0x027B (elms) | | 0x8010 | 1 | 0x8304 (OOV: elm) | |
| … |  |  |  | |  |  |
| 0xFFFFFFFF |  | |  |  |  | |

|  |  |
| --- | --- |
| **OOV Key**  **uint16** | **OOV Word**  **Length+1 bytes** |
| 0x8301 | aid\0 |
| … |  |
| 0x8F01 | covenantbreaker\0 |

Lemmata content originally appeared in the 2017 Edition of the SDK. The original version obtained Lemmata from the NLTK Python library. Now Lemmata are obtained from the MorphAdorner Java service (MorphAdorner also performs all of the POS tagging). Incidentally, each Lemma ordinarily maps to multiple English words or lexemes, (e.g. ‘be’ is the lemma of ‘are’, ‘were’, ‘is’, ‘art’, ‘wast’, and ‘be’). Interestingly, many words, for example ‘run’, are not constrained to a single uniform POS tag. Consequently, Lemmata lookup requires the POS tag. Successful lookups into Lemmata result in a list of WordKeys or OOVKeys (When a Lemma is OOV[[2]](#footnote-2), it cannot be found in the Lexicon, but it can be found in the OOV-Lemmata table).

|  |
| --- |
| Lemmata Content (variable length records) |

nibble)

# OOV-Lemmata Content (lookup for OOV lemmas)

# OOV (composition by example)

|  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- |
| **OOV Marker**  **1 bits** | **OOV Length**  **7 bits** | **OOV**  **Index**  **byte** |
| 0x8\_\_\_ | 0x\_3\_\_ | 0x\_\_01 |
| (binary of 0x8301 is b1000001100000001) | | |

# The Lexicon provides both original and modern orthographic representations for each lexeme identified in the Written content; and it includes a search representation, stripping out all hyphens. What follows are an array of associated Part-of-Speech (POS). This is an 5-bit encoded value. A reference implementation for decoding this POS value into a human readable POS string can be found in the github repo.

# Lexicon Content (variable length records)

|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
| **Rec #**  **(0 bits)** | **Entities**  **uint16** | **Size**  **uint16** | **POS[0]**  **uint32** | **POS[1]**  **uint32** | **POS[2]**  **uint32** | **⚫ ⚫ ⚫** | **POS[n-1]**  **uint32** | | **Search**  **char [ ]** | **Display**  **char[ ]** | **Modern**  **char [ ]** |
| 0 | 0xFFFF | n=2 | 12567 | 0x3112 |  |  |  | |  |  |  | metadata |
| 1 | 0x0000 | n=4 | 0x00000094 | 0x00000036 | 0x0000000A |  | 0x80004206 | | a |  |  | Entities = { }  dt, av, j, pp-f |
| 2 | 0x0000 | n=3 | 0x01074F9C | 0x0000000A | 0x01073F9C |  |  | | i |  |  | Entities = { }  pns11, j, pno11 |
| 3 | 0x0000 | n=1 | 0x000002A8 |  |  |  |  | | o |  | oh | { }  oh |
| ­… | | | | | | | |
| 366 | 0x8009 | n=2 | 0x00003A1C | 0x000740FC |  |  |  | | adam |  |  | Entities =  {Man, City}  np1, npg1 |
| ­… | | | | | | | |
| 1311 | 0x0000 | n=2 | 0x01073FBC | 0x0000000A |  |  |  | | thou |  | you | Entities = { }  pns21, j |
| ­… | | | | | | | |
| 12567 | 0x0000 | n=1 | 0x0000000A |  |  |  |  | | Mahershalalhashbaz | Maher-shalal-hash-baz |  | Entities = { }  j |

Entities = {Hitchcock=0x8000, men=0x1, women=0x2, tribes=0x4, cities=0x8, rivers=0x10, mountains=0x20, animals=0x40, gemstones=0x80, measurements=0x100}

***NOTE:*** AV-Lexicon differs from Z14 release: it inserts a zeroth-record, making lex-key equal to record-index. It also differs by omitting the marker/final record after record #12567, as did the Z14 release. Otherwise, they are identical.

# Additional notes about Part-of-Speech in Digital-AV

# Both the PN+POS(12) field and the POS(32) field are found in Written content. And both represent Part-of-Speech, in different, but related manners. POS(12) is entirely bitwise, and therefore easier to make programmatic determinations based upon that field. POS(32) is a 5-bit encoded string. Decoding the 32-bit value into a string can be performed using the reference code cited on this page below. POS tagging was extracted from Morph-Adorner (also cited below). POS(12) is derived both from the MorphAdorner tag and innate knowledge in the Digital-AV compiler of pronouns and morphology. POS(32) is an encoded human-readable string. An earlier version of the SDK contained a HashMap, mapping each POS(32) value into a collection of POS(12) values. However, that file was deemed incomplete and has been eliminated from the SDK. That mapping might be useful, but is easily inferred from Written content. AV-Lexicon contains only POS(32) references, and no POS(12) references.

# In short, the PN+POS(12) field is more granular and has a bitwise representation. Contrariwise, the encoded 32-bit POS fields have far more fidelity, but require decoding to expose their string representation.

# For more information, see:

# <https://github.com/kwonus/Digital-AV/blob/master/z-series/Part-of-Speech-for-Digital-AV.pdf>

* <https://github.com/kwonus/AVXText/blob/master/FiveBitEncoding.cs> [ *method signature:* **string DecodePOS(Uint32 encoding)** ]

# Names Content (variable length records)

|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
| **WordKey**  **uint16** | **1st Meaning** | **Delimiter** | **2nd Meaning** | **Delimiter** | **3rd Meaning** | **Delimiter** | **⚫ ⚫ ⚫** |
| AVLexicon WordKey for Aaron | a teacher | | | lofty | | | mountain of… | \0 |  |
| AVLexicon WordKey for Abaddon | the destroyer | \0 |  |  |  |  |  |
| AVLexicon WordKey for Abagtha | father of the… | \0 |  |  |  |  |  |
| ... | | | | | | | |

AV-Names.dxi is a binary representation of “Hitchcock's Bible Names Dictionary”, authored by Roswell D. Hitchcock in 1869. The difference here is that it is integrated by indexing with the word-key found in AV-Lexicon.

**OVERALL PROJECT STATUS:**

It’s an exciting time at AV Text Ministries, and if you want to lend a hand. Let us know your technical skills and interests and we can help jumpstart you onto the team. We are embarking on brand-new support for Rust. Currently, AV Text Ministries is 100% volunteer, so if you don’t just have passion about the mission as your raw motivation, it might not be the best fit.

Finally, on the non-technical side of things, we would certainly welcome a ministry sponsor that would want to place AV Text Ministries under the banner of their own local church ministry. Check <http://avtext.org> to discover our overall vision.

**HOW THE DIGITAL-AV “PLATES” ARE AUTHORED:**

Initially, various publicly available KJV texts were parsed and dutifully compared (comparing scripture with scripture [1 Corinthians 2:13]). That work produced the freeware program, AV-1995 for Windows; it was written in Delphi/Pascal and was maintained until the AV-2011 release. In 2008, the initial Digital-AV SDK was conceived and produced, harvesting much of the inner workings of AV-2008 and utilized RemObjects Oxygene/Pascal as the development platform. It was released as open source. Later, AV-2011 was “compiled” using AV-2008 as a baseline. Subsequently, the 2017/2018 Editions were “compiled” using AV-2011 as a baseline. The Z07 release of the SDK were baselined from AV-2018 edition using the K817 release. C# is now the programming language of the SDK compiler; and the ancient pascal sources were finally retired (replaced by C# sources) in 2018. The SDK-compiler uses MorpAdorner[[3]](#footnote-3) (written in Java 1.6), along with the NUPOS [[4]](#footnote-4)tag-set. NLTK[[5]](#footnote-5) (Python) is used when MorphAdorner encounters a word out of its vocabulary. Java and Python dependencies are not exhibited in the delivered SDK (They are only part of the compilation process for the published SDK).

The Z-Series introduced a new versioning scheme, but it was mostly unchanged from the 2018 SDK Release. All new versions are compiled using the previous Z-Series release as a baseline. The new Omega-Series was compiled using Z-Series assets. For the first time, the revision to 3.5 of the Omega release utilized the 3.2 Omega rlease as its baseline. We will likely retrofit the 3.5 release into the C# Z-series pipeline. However, only the <http://github/AV-Text/AVX> has the Omega 3.5 release, as of May 2023. The Omega releases were inspired by the simplicity of utilizing Flat Buffers: why mess with a bunch of files when we can mess with just one?

**LICENSE REQUIREMENT:**

* In order to comply with the MIT-style open-source license, please include AV-License.txt with your distribution of any file identified in this SDK. The text of that file, as of 2023, is provided also at the bottom of this page.

*All SDK artifacts are on github.com:*

https://github.com/AV-Text/AVX

**IMPROVEMENTS & CAVEATS:**

* Underlying SDK formats have stabilized in the Z-series and Ω-series editions.
* The huge difference between the Z-series and Ω-series editions is that Omega edition utilizes a single file for deserialization.
* Ω32 release introduces revised Written, Book, and Chapter content
* Ω32 eliminates discrete content. Instead, that is provided directly in the Written content.
* Ω-series editions replaces the AV-Inventory file with Directory content, which is the first data payload of the new deserialization file.
* The name of the serialization file is **AVX-Omega.data**; and **AVX-Omega.md5** contains a hash of the data file.
* For the most part, the Omega releases share most of the same formats as the earlier Z-Series SDK. Ω35+ is the recommended SDK for future development.
* Hashing values in Directory & total-verse-counts for each Book were incorrect in Ω32. This necessitated the Ω35 release. Only Directory & Book content was revised.

**ADDITIONAL RELEASE NOTES:**

#1 Digital-AV revision numbers use a three-digit character sequence, plus an optional suffix/subscript. Revision numbers begin with the letter **Z** or **Ω**. The next two characters represent year and month of the revision. The character sequence is **X*ym*** where X is either **Z** or **Ω**, indicating either “Z-series” or “Ω-series” of the SDK (this also distinguishes the release from older Digital-AV SDK editions); ***y*** represents the year, and ***m*** represents the month. ***y*** encodes the year as a single base-36 digit; For example, (*y*=0) represents 2020; (*y* == 3) represents 2023; (*y* == 5) represents 2025; (*y* == A) represents 2030; (*y* == F) represents 2035; (y == Z) represents 2055. With respect to months, digits 1 through 9 are as expected; (*m* == A) is October; (*m* == B) is November; and (*m* == C) is December. An optional single letter/number subscript is usually included. If the subscript is a Greek letter (α or β), then this is alpha or beta. Subscript *x* indicates that it is soon to be defunct. Otherwise, subscript is calendar day of the release, encoded in base-32; the 1st🡪*1*, 2nd🡪*2*, … , 9th🡪*9*, 10th🡪a, 11th🡪b, 12th🡪c, … , 31st🡪*v*.

#2 Multiple revision numbers exist: The Digital-AV SDK revision (aka, the “plate” revision) is the most significant set of files. There are also distinct and separate revision numbers of this document itself. Finally, when an appendix is includes, those also have distinct revision numbers.

#3 Foundational support for Rust and C++ is provided with static initializers for all SDK content. These are experimental: while they compile, they produce stack overflow errors at runtime. Still, they are useful text representations of what the SDL looks like from an API standpoint. Foundations/csharp/avxlib actually provides a working implementation. It does not use initializers as the Rust and C++ experimental implementations do. It deserializes the content in accordance with this spec. There are some hard-coded values in the library. It should be treated as an alpha release, but it does work.

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No deserialization required! That’s right, the Rust sources have the entire SDK files baked into the source code with requisite native array initializations. Just include the dependency in cargo, and you’re good to go.

Rust sources can be found in the Digital-AV/z-series/foundations/rust/ folder on GitHub. All structures are pre-defined in lockstep with the binary files of the SDK. However, one major deviation is that the AV-Writ.dx file is segmented into 66 different structures (one for each book of the bible).

There are other minor deviations from the baseline SDK documentation. These are driven somewhat by the syntax of Rust, and to simplify code-generation. Deviations should be intuitive by comparing the struct definitions with the SDK documentation. The value of the generated files is that no deserialization operations are needed. Again, the implementation uses Rust arrays with static initializers.

The code currently compiles, but is largely untested.

The compiled Rust library is almost 400mb. That’s twenty times the size of the baseline [serialized] SDK files. At first glance, this might lead you to the C++ library. However, this would be an apples to oranges comparison. The C++ implementation is a DLL (i.e. a shared library). The Rust library is static, by convention, with all dependencies baked in, including the Rust runtime itself. Someone could measure what the library would be if it were compiled as a shared library, but I have no plans to do that. For what it is, and given modern hardware, 400 mb is not very large by database standards. Yet, if trimming down is your goal, not every file need be included in your application.

No deserialization required! That’s right, the C++ sources have the entire SDK files baked into the source code with requisite native C++ array initializations. Just include the dependency in CMake, and you’re good to go.

C++ sources can be found in the Digital-AV/z-series/foundations/cpp/ folder on GitHub. All structures are pre-defined in lockstep with the binary files of the SDK. However, one major deviation is that the AV-Writ.dx file is segmented into 66 different structures (one for each book of the bible).

There are other minor deviations that should be intuitive by examining the struct definitions. These are driven somewhat by the syntax of C++, and to simplify code-generation. The value of the generated files is that no deserialization operations are needed. Again, the implementation uses C++ arrays with static initializations.

The code currently compiles, but is largely untested.

Interestingly, using the latest Microsoft x64 C++ compiler to compile the entire SDK into a DLL with static C++ arrays, the entire DLL weighs in at 21.2 mb, about the same as the experimental FlatBuffers content data. Compared to the Baseline SDK files themselves, that’s only 2 mb of overhead (and all of the deserialization work is already done).

COMING SOON!!!

Foundational support for C# differs from the Rust and C++ implementations, as the C# foundation uses the Ω-series SDK for actual deserializations in lieu of code-generation. With the Ω-series SDK, we open just a single binary file to extract all SDK content.

C# sources can be found in the Digital-AV/omega/foundations/csharp/ folder on GitHub. As with the other foundational support, Written content is segmented into 66 different arrays and placed in the Book index/content (one slice for each book of the bible).

The code is currently in development, but leverages the rock solid foundation of decades of earlier deployments of the Digital-AV SDK.

The fundamental difference here with the companion project AVXText, is that the current AVXText github bundles the interpreter with the bible content for search capabilities. This is no longer necessary as Quelle can serve that purpose, while these sources are dedicated only for deserialization, validation, and content delivery. The author anticipates that AVXText will eventually be replaced with an integrations of C# Foundation with Quelle via a future Parsing Expression Grammar (PEG) server named Pin-Shot-Blue.

1. Refer to the Strong's Exhaustive Concordance for additional backround information. The Digital-AV has, at most, four Strong’s numbers per English word in the Old Testament. By contrast, there are at most, three Strong’s numbers per English word. To maintain a fixed length record format, four slots allotted. [↑](#footnote-ref-1)
2. OOV stands for “Out of Vocabulary”: Not all lemmas are in the AV-Lexicon; these OOV words can be looked up in the AV-Lemma-OOV table. As an example, “covenantbreakers” is in the KJV bible and therefore in the lexicon. However, covenantbreaker is not in the KJV bible (It is an example of an OOV word). [↑](#footnote-ref-2)
3. <http://morphadorner.northwestern.edu/morphadorner/> [↑](#footnote-ref-3)
4. <https://github.com/kwonus/Digital-AV/blob/master/z-series/Part-of-Speech-for-Digital-AV.pdf> [↑](#footnote-ref-4)
5. <http://www.nltk.org> [↑](#footnote-ref-5)