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#### **Abstract**

This document is a user manual describing usage of reference software for the V3C/V-PCC project. It applies to version 18.0 of the software.

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#### 1 General Information

5 References

Reference software is being made available to provide a reference implementation of the V3C standard being developed by MPEG (ISO/IEC JTC 1/SC 29/WG 7). One of the main goals of the reference software is to provide a basis upon which to conduct experiments in order to determine which coding tools provide desired coding performance. It is not meant to be a particularly efficient implementation of anything, and one may notice its apparent unsuitability for a particular use. It should not be construed to be a reflection of how complex a production-quality implementation of a future V3C standard would be.

This document aims to provide guidance on the usage of the reference software. It is widely suspected

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to be incomplete and suggestions for improvements are welcome. Such suggestions and general inquiries may be sent to the general MPEG 3DGC email reflector at mpeg-3dgc@gti.ssr.upm.es (registration required).

## 1.1 Bug reporting

Bugs should be reported on the issue tracker set up at http://mpegx.int-evry.fr/software/MPEG/PCC/TM/mpeg-pcc-tmc2/issues.

## **2** Obtaining the software

#### 2.1 Clone

The authoritative location of the software is the following git repository: http://mpegx.int-evry.fr/software/MPEG/PCC/TM/mpeg-pcc-tmc2

Each released version may be identified by a version control system tag in the form release-v18.0 [1].

## An example:

```
$ git clone \
   http://mpegx.int-evry.fr/software/MPEG/PCC/mpeg-pcc-tmc2.git
$ cd mpeg-pcc-tmc2
```

It is strongly advised to obtain the software using the version control system rather than to download a zip (or other archive) of a particular release. The build system uses the version control system to accurately identify the version being built.

## 2.2 Building

The codec is supported on Linux, OSX and Windows platforms. The build configuration is managed using CMake.

It is strongly advised to build the software in a separate build directory.

#### 2.2.1 Scripts

Bash scripts can be use to build mpeg-pcc-tmc2 project: - build.sh: build solutions.

- clear.sh: clear solututions ( ./clear.sh all: to clear dependencies)

#### 2.2.2 OSX

```
$ mkdir build
$ cd build
$ cmake ..
$ cmake --build . --config Release --parallel 8
2.2.3 Linux
$ mkdir build
$ cd build
$ cmake ..
$ cmake --build . --config Release --parallel 8
2.2.4 Windows
$ md build
$ cd build
$ cmake ..
$ cmake ..
$ cmake --build . --config Release --parallel 8
```

## 2.2.5 External dependencies

According to the CMake options defined in the CMakeLists.txt, the TMC2 required some external dependencies to work:

- USE\_JMAPP\_VIDEO\_CODEC: use JM software to encoder and decoder videos (codecId parameters must be set equal to 0 and the videoEncoderOccupancyPath, videoEncoderGeometryPath and videoEncoderAttributePath but be set the JM applications)
- USE\_HMAPP\_VIDEO\_CODEC: use HM software to encoder and decoder videos (codecId parametesr must be set equal to 1 and the videoEncoderOccupancyPath, videoEncoderGeometryPath and videoEncoderAttributePath but be set the JM applications)

- USE\_JMLIB\_VIDEO\_CODEC: use JM library to encoder and decoder videos (codecId parameter must be set equal to 2)
- USE\_HMLIB\_VIDEO\_CODEC: use HM library to encoder and decoder videos (codecId parameter must be set equal to 3)
- USE\_VTMLIB\_VIDEO\_CODEC: use VTM library to encoder and decoder videos (codecId parameter must be set equal to 4)
- USE\_FFMPEG\_VIDEO\_CODEC: use FFMPEG library to encoder and decoder videos (codecId parameter must be set equal to 5). This mode is only available in the FFMPEG branch.
- USE\_SHMAPP\_VIDEO\_CODEC: use SHM software to encoder and decoder videos (codecId parameters must be set equal to 6, the videoEncoderGeometryPath and videoEncoderAttributePath using the SHM application, and the videoEncoderOccupancyPath using the HM application)
- USE\_HDRTOOLS: use HDRTools to convert the raw video files.

The video encoder softwares and libraries can be found in the corresponding repositories:

- JM: https://vcgit.hhi.fraunhofer.de/jct-vc/JM.git
- HM: https://vcgit.hhi.fraunhofer.de/jvet/HM.git
- VTM: https://vcgit.hhi.fraunhofer.de/jvet/VVCSoftware\_VTM.git
- SHM: https://vcgit.hhi.fraunhofer.de/jvet/SHM.git

Some changes have been made on these libraries to allow to use the three libraries at the same time and to increase the codec efficiencies for the V3C contents. the three codecs must be patch with the files:

- JM: dependencies/jm-modification/PCC\_JM.patch
- HM: dependencies/hm-modification/pcc\_me-ext\_and\_namespace\_for\_HM-16.20+SCM-8.8.patch
- VTM: dependencies/vtm-modification/adaptions\_for\_vtm\_11\_2.patch

By default according the the CMake options, the dependencies are cloned and patched by the cmake process.

The external dependencies could be downloaded, built and linked independenly.

JM:

```
$ git clone checkout \
       https://vcgit.hhi.fraunhofer.de/jct-vc/JM.git \
       dependencies/jm19.0_lib
   $ cd dependencies/jm19.0_lib
   $ git patch ../jm-modification/PCC_JM.patch
HM:
   $ git clone checkout \
       https://vcgit.hhi.fraunhofer.de/jvet/HM.git \
       dependencies/HM-16.20+SCM-8.8
   $ cd dependencies/HM-16.20+SCM-8.8
   $ git patch ../hm-modification/\
               pcc_me-ext_and_namespace_for_HM-16.20+SCM-8.8.patch
VTM:
   $ git clone checkout \
       https://vcgit.hhi.fraunhofer.de/jvet/VVCSoftware_VTM.git \
       dependencies/VTM-11.2
   $ cd dependencies/VTM-11.2
   $ git patch .../vtm-modification/adaptions_for_vtm_11_2.patch
HDRTools:
    $ git clone -b 0.17-dev \
```

https://gitlab.com/standards/HDRTools.git \
dependencies/HDRTools

The pointcloud metrics can be computed inside the TM2 encoder and decoder according to the input parameters: \* computeMetrics: Compute metrics \* uncompressedDataPath: Input pointcloud to encode. Multi-frame sequences may be represented by %04i \* normalDataPath: Input pointcloud to encode. Multi-frame sequences may be represented by %04i \* resolution: Specify the intrinsic resolution \* dropdups: 0(detect), 1(drop), 2(average) subsequent points with same coordinates \* neighborsProc: 0(undefined), 1(average), 2(weighted average), 3(min), 4(max) neighbors with same geometric distance

The computations of the metrics are the same than the distances computed with the pcc\_distortion software that can be found in: http://mpegx.int-evry.fr/software/MPEG/PCC/mpeg-pcc-dmetric.git.

#### 3 Structure of the test model

This software consists of mutliple executables and libraries. The two main applications are PccAppEncoder and PccAppDecoder, that are the applications used to encode and decode the point clouds. These software are directly linked to the two main libraries: PccLibEncoder and PccLibDecoder that containe the main encoder and decoder processes. The processes and the data structures used both by encoder and decoder are in the PccLibCommon library. The VPCC bitstreams data structures are defined in library: PccLibBitstreamCommon. The encoder and decoder bitstreamer writing and reading processes are stored in to separate libraries: PccLibBitstreamWriter and PccLibBitstreamReader.

Additional of these two libraries, the virtual wrapper libraries are used to encode video (PccLibVideoEncoder), to decode video (PccLibVideoDecoder) and to perform color conversion of the video streams (PccLibColorConverter). These libraries are wrappers and are used to launch external applications or libraries: HDRTools, HM Encoder/Decoder (TLibEncoder/TLibDecoder). These libraries defined application program interfaces (API) to easyly launch external processes to perform these tasks without change the VPCC source code.

The below figure is the module dependency draph of the VPCC reference software.

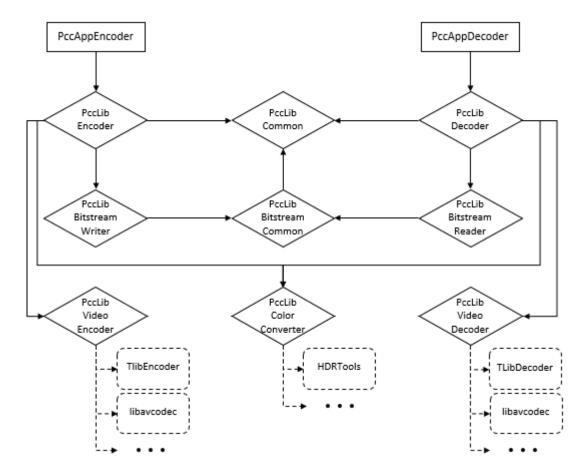


Figure 1 – Structure of the test model

## 4 Using the codec

```
$ ../bin/PccAppEncoder [--help] [-c config.cfg] [--parameter=value] $ ../bin/PccAppDecoder [--help] [--parameter=value]
```

\$ ../bin/PccAppMetrics [--help] [--parameter=value]

#### 4.1 Principle

The encoder takes as input a PLY file describing a point cloud with integer positions and, optionally, per-point integer colour attributes.

The output of the encoder is a binary bitstream encapsulated using the V3C annex-B format.

Conversely, the decoder takes as input a compressed bitstream file in V3C annex-B format and produces a reconstructed PLY file with position and any present attribute values.

The software may be configured using either command line arguments or from a configuration file specified using the -c|-config= option.

Sample configuration files are provided in the cfg/ directory.

Parameters are set by the last value encountered on the command line. Therefore if a setting is set via a configuration file, and then a subsequent command line parameter changes that same setting, the command line parameter value will be used.

## **4.2** Common test condition configurations

Configuration files are provided in the cfg directory to aid configuring the encoder. The general pattern of usage is illustrated below, where multiple configuration files control different aspects of the test conditions.

NB: parameters set in one configuration file override the same parameter in earlier files. ie. order matters.

Further help text describing option usage is available using "./bin/PccAppEncoder -help" or "./bin/PccAppDecoder

-help".

#### 4.3 Examples

#### 4.3.1 Encoder

The next command line encodes one streams:

```
$ ./bin/PccAppEncoder \
    --config=./cfg/common/ctc-common.cfg \
    --config=./cfg/condition/ctc-all-intra.cfg \
    --config=./cfg/sequence/queen.cfg \
    --config=./cfg/rate/ctc-r1.cfg \
    --colorTransform=0 \
    --configurationFolder=./cfg/ \
    --uncompressedDataFolder=./People/ \
    --colorSpaceConversionPath=HDRConvert \
    --videoEncoderPath=TAppEncoderHighBitDepthStatic \
    --videoEncoderOccupancyMapPath=TAppEncoderHighBitDepthStatic \
    --compressedStreamPath=./S22C2AI_queen/S22C2AIR01_queen.bin \
    --frameCount=32
```

To compute the metrics in the encode, the normal of the source point cloud must be given to the encoder. The next parameter must be added to the previous command:

```
--normalDataPath=./People/Technicolor/queen_n/frame_%04d_n.ply
```

#### 4.3.2 Decoder

The next command line decodes one streams:

```
$ ./bin/PccAppDecoder \
    --startFrameNumber=0000 \
    --compressedStreamPath=./S22C2AI_queen/S22C2AIR01_queen.bin \
    --reconstructedDataPath=./S22C2AI_queen/S22C2AIR01_queen_dec_%04d.ply \
    --videoDecoderPath=TAppDecoderHighBitDepthStatic \
    --videoDecoderOccupancyMapPath=TAppDecoderHighBitDepthStatic \
    --colorSpaceConversionPath=./external/HDRTools/bin/HDRConvert \
    --inverseColorSpaceConversionConfig=./cfg/hdrconvert/yuv420torgb444.cfg \
    --nbThread=1 \
    --colorTransform=0 \
```

To compute the metrics in the decoder, the normal of the source point cloud and the source PLY must be given to the decoder. The next parameter must be added to the previous command:

```
--config=./cfg/sequence/queen.cfg \
--uncompressedDataFolder=./People/ \
--normalDataPath=./People/Technicolor/queen_n/frame_%04d_n.ply
```

#### 4.3.3 Metrics

PccAppMetrics could be used to test the PccLibMetrics. For CTC experiments, it's sugested to used mpeg-pcc-dmetrics: http://mpegx.int-evry.fr/software/MPEG/PCC/mpeg-pcc-dmetric.git.

For example, mpeg-pcc-dmetric and PccAppMetric could be used with the next command line:

```
$ ../bin/PccAppMetrics \
   --uncompressedDataPath=longdress_vox10_1051.ply \
   --reconstructedDataPath=./S26C2AIR01_longdress_dec_1051.ply \
   --normalDataPath=./People/8i/longdress_n/longdress_vox10_1051_n.ply \
   --resolution=1023 \
   --frameCount=1

$ ./mpeg-pcc-demetric/test/pc_error \
```

```
--fileA=./People/8i/8iVFBv2/longdress/Ply/longdress_vox10_1051.ply \
--fileB=S26C2AIR01_longdress_dec_1051.ply \
--inputNorm=./People/8i/longdress_n/longdress_vox10_1051_n.ply \
--color=1 \
--resolution= 1023
```

The two softwares give the same results.

### 4.3.4 Scripts

More examples of running could be found in ./test/runme\_linux.sh.

These examples can be start based on your system with the following scripts: \* ./test/runme\_linux.sh \* ./test/runme\_windows.bat \* ./test/runme\_osx.sh

The V3C common test condition (CTC) command lines could be found in ./test/ctc\_command\_line.sh.

#### 4.3.5 SHVC Information

The SHVC software used in the program can be obtained from the link below:

```
https://hevc.hhi.fraunhofer.de/svn/svn_SHVCSoftware/tags/SHM-12.4/
```

The additional Enhanced Layer will be used by SHVC codec according to the number of entries entered in the SHVCLayer in the encoder. SHVCRateX and SHVCRateY refer to the width and height resolution reduction rate of 2D images of additional layers. The decoder uses the video corresponding to the layer entered into the SHVCLayerID. LID 0 has the lowest density, and if 3 layers are used, LID 2 has the same density as V-PCC TMC2 output. Occupancy Map video encode/decode using same version of HM encooder/decoder.

#### SHVC Running 3layer PccAppEncoder

```
$ ./bin/PccAppEncoder \
    --configurationFolder=cfg/ \
    --config=cfg/common/ctc-common.cfg \
    --config=cfg/condition/ctc-random-access-svc-3L.cfg \
    --config=cfg/sequence/longdress_vox10.cfg \
    --config=cfg/rate/ctc-r3.cfg \
    --uncompressedDataFolder=Dynamic_Objects/People/ \
    --frameCount=1 \
    --videoEncoderGeometryPath=..\bin\win\TAppEncoder.exe \
    --videoEncoderAttributePath=..\bin\win\TAppEncoder.exe \
    --videoEncoderOccupancyPath=..\bin\win\occupancy\TAppEncoder.exe \
    --colorSpaceConversionPath=../external/HDRTools/bin/HDRConvert \
    --reconstructedDataPath=S26C03R03_rec_%04d.ply \
    --compressedStreamPath=S26C03R03.bin \
    --SHVCLayer=2 \
    --SHVCRateX=2 \setminus
    --SHVCRateY=2
```

#### SHVC Running 3layer PccAppDecoder

# 4.4 General options

The next tables shows the parameters of the encoder, decoder and metrics programs.

# 4.4.1 Encoder parameters

Parameter=Value	Usage
help	This help text
Global	
c—config	Configuration file name
configurationFolder	Folder where the configuration files are
	stored, use for cfg relative paths.
uncompressedDataFolder	Folder where the uncompress input data are
•	stored, use for cfg relative paths.
uncompressedDataPath	Input pointcloud to encode. Multi-frame
•	sequences may be represented by %04i
compressedStreamPath	Output(encoder)/Input(decoder) compressed
•	bitstream
reconstructedDataPath	Output decoded pointcloud. Multi-frame
	sequences may be represented by %04i
startFrameNumber	First frame number in sequence to
	encode/decode
frameCount	Number of frames to encode
groupOfFramesSize	Random access period
colorTransform	The colour transform to be applied: 0: none
	1: RGB to YCbCr (Rec.709)
colorSpaceConversionPath	Path to the HDRConvert. If unset, an internal
•	color space conversion is used
colorSpaceConversionConfig	HDRConvert configuration file used for RGB444
	to YUV420 conversion
inverseColorSpaceConversion	HDRConvert configuration file used for YUV420
Config	to RGB444 conversion
videoEncoderPath	HM video encoder executable
videoEncoderAuxPath	HM video encoder executable
videoEncoderOccupancyMapPath	HM lossless video encoder executable for
1 7 1	occupancy map
nbThread	Number of thread used for parallel processing
keepIntermediateFiles	Keep intermediate files: RGB, YUV and bin
Encoder	,
nnNormalEstimation	Number of points used for normal estimation
gridBasedRefineSegmentation	Use grid-based approach for segmentation
g.ruz use urtermes eg.memunus	refinement
maxNNCountRefineSegmentation	Number of nearest neighbors used during
man i i cominicomos eginemanon	segmentation refinement
iterationCountRefine	Number of iterations performed during
Segmentation	segmentation refinement
voxelDimensionRefine	Voxel dimension for segmentation refinement
Segmentation	(must be a power of 2)
searchRadiusRefineSegmentation	Search radius for segmentation refinement
occupancyResolution	Resolution of packing block(a block contain
	only one patch)
enablePatchSplitting	Enable patch splitting
maxPatchSize	Maximum patch size for segmentation
log2QuantizerSizeX	log2 of Quantization step for patch size X:
0- (	0. pixel precision 4.16 as before
	partir protession into an obtain

log2QuantizerSizeY	log2 of Quantization step for patch size Y:
	0. pixel precision 4.16 as before
minPointCountPerCCPatch	Minimum number of points for a connected
Segmentation	component to be retained as a patch
maxNNCountPatchSegmentation	Number of nearest neighbors used during
	connected components extraction
surfaceThickness	Surface thickness
depthQuantizationStep	minimum level for patches
maxAllowedDist2RawPoints	Maximum distance for a point to be ignored
Detection	during raw points detection
maxAllowedDist2RawPoints	Maximum distance for a point to be ignored
Selection	during raw points selection
lambdaRefineSegmentation	Controls the smoothness of the patch
	boundaries during segmentation refinement
minimumImageWidth	Minimum width of packed patch frame
minimumImageHeight	Minimum height of packed patch frame
maxCandidateCount	Maximum nuber of candidates in list L
occupancyPrecision	Occupancy map B0 precision
occupancyMapConfig	Occupancy map encoder config file
occupancyMapQP	QP for compression of occupancy map video
enhancedOccupancyMapCode	Use enhanced-delta-depth code
EOMFixBitCount	enhanced occupancy map fixed bit count
occupancyMapRefinement	Use occupancy map refinement
postprocessSmoothingFilterType	Exclude geometry smoothing from attribute transfer
flagGeometrySmoothing	Enable geometry smoothing
neighborCountSmoothing	Neighbor count smoothing
radius2Smoothing	Radius to smoothing
radius2BoundaryDetection	Radius to boundary detection
thresholdSmoothing	Threshold smoothing
patchExpansion	Use occupancy map refinement
gridSmoothing	Enable grid smoothing
gridSize	grid size for the smoothing
thresholdColorSmoothing	Threshold of color smoothing
cgridSize	grid size for the color smoothing
thresholdColorDifference	Threshold of color difference between cells
thresholdColorVariation	Threshold of color variation in cells
flagColorSmoothing	Enable color smoothing
thresholdColorPreSmoothing	Threshold of color pre-smoothing
thresholdColorPreSmoothing	Threshold of color pre-smoothing local
LocalEntropy	entropy
radius2ColorPreSmoothing	Redius of color pre-smoothing
neighborCountColorPreSmoothing	Neighbor count for color pre-smoothing
flagColorPreSmoothing	Enable color pre-smoothing
bestColorSearchRange	Best color search range
numNeighborsColorTransferFwd	Number of neighbors creating Fwd list
numNeighborsColorTransferBwd	Number of neighbors creating Bwd list
useDistWeightedAverageFwd	Distance weighted average for Fwd list
useDistWeightedAverageBwd	Distance weighted average for Bwd list
skipAvgIfIdenticalSourcePoint	Skip avgeraging if target is identical to a
PresentFwd	Fwd point
skipAvgIfIdenticalSourcePoint	Skip avgeraging if target is identical to a
skip/wgiliuciiiicaisouiicefoiiii	only avgeraging it target is inclinical to a

PresentBwd	Bwd point
distOffsetFwd	Distance offset to avoid infinite weight
distOffsetBwd	Distance offset to avoid infinite weight
maxGeometryDist2Fwd	Maximum allowed distance for a Fwd point
maxGeometryDist2Bwd	Maximum allowed distance for a Bwd point
maxColorDist2Fwd	Maximum allowed pari-wise color distance for
	Fwd list
maxColorDist2Bwd	Maximum allowed pari-wise color distance for
	Bwd list
excludeColorOutlier	Exclude color outliers from the NN set
thresholdColorOutlierDist	Threshold of color distance to exclude
	outliers from the NN set
geometryQP	QP for compression of geometry video
attributeQP	QP for compression of attribute video
geometryConfig	HM configuration file for geometry
	compression
geometry0Config	HM configuration file for geometry D0
	compression
geometry1Config	HM configuration file for geometry D1
	compression
attributeConfig	HM configuration file for attribute
	compression
attribute0Config	HM configuration file for attribute D0
	compression
attribute1Config	HM configuration file for attribute D1
	compression
rawPointsPatch	Enable raw points patch
noAttributes	Disable encoding of attributes
attributeVideo444	Use 444 format for attribute videos
useRawPointsSeparateVideo	Compress raw points with video codec
attributeRawSeparateVideoWidth	Width of the MP's attribute in separate video
geometryMPConfig	HM configuration file for raw points geometry
	compression
attributeMPConfig	HM configuration file for raw points attribute
	HM configuration file for raw points attribute compression
absoluteD1	HM configuration file for raw points attribute compression Absolute D1
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	before lossy compression (default=false)
patchColorSubsampling	Enable per patch color sub-sampling
maxNumRefAtalsList	maximum Number of Reference Patch list,
	default: 1
maxNumRefAtlasFrame	maximum Number of Reference Atlas Frame per
	list, default: 1
pointLocalReconstruction	Use point local reconstruction
mapCountMinus1	Numbers of layers (rename to maps?)
singleMapPixelInterleaving	Use single layer pixel interleaving
removeDuplicatePoints	Remove duplicate points(
surfaceSeparation	surface separation
highGradientSeparation	Separate high gradient points from a patch
minGradient	Minimun gradient for a point to be separated
	Minimum number of connected high gradient
minNumHighGradientPoints	5 5
a a altina Charata are	points to be separated from a patch
packingStrategy	Patches packing strategy(0: anchor packing,
	1(default): flexible packing, 2: tetris
E: 1.0 :	packing)
useEightOrientations	Allow either 2 orientations (0(default): NULL
	AND SWAP), or 8 orientation (1)
safeGuardDistance	Number of empty blocks that must exist between
II DODUI	the patches (default=1)
attributeBGFill	Selects the background filling operation for
	attribute only (0: patch-edge extension,
	1(default): smoothed push-pull algorithm), 2:
	harmonic background filling
lossyRawPointsPatch	Lossy raw points patch(0: no lossy raw points
	patch, 1: enable lossy raw points patch
	(default=0)
minNormSumOfInvDist4MPSelection	Minimum normalized sum of inverse distance
minNormSumOfInvDist4MPSelection	for raw points selection: double value
minNormSumOfInvDist4MPSelection lossyRawPointPatchGeoQP	for raw points selection: double value between 0.0 and 1.0 (default=0.35) QP value for geometry in lossy raw points
lossyRawPointPatchGeoQP	for raw points selection: double value between 0.0 and 1.0 (default=0.35) QP value for geometry in lossy raw points patch (default=4)
	for raw points selection: double value between 0.0 and 1.0 (default=0.35)  QP value for geometry in lossy raw points patch (default=4)  Global temporally consistent patch
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lossyRawPointPatchGeoQP globalPatchAllocation globalPackingStrategyGOF	for raw points selection: double value between 0.0 and 1.0 (default=0.35)  QP value for geometry in lossy raw points patch (default=4)  Global temporally consistent patch allocation.(0: anchor's packing method(default), 1: gpa algorithm, 2: gtp algorithm)  Number of frames to pack globally (0:(entire GOF))
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lossyRawPointPatchGeoQP globalPatchAllocation globalPackingStrategyGOF globalPackingStrategyReset	for raw points selection: double value between 0.0 and 1.0 (default=0.35)  QP value for geometry in lossy raw points patch (default=4)  Global temporally consistent patch allocation.(0: anchor's packing method(default), 1: gpa algorithm, 2: gtp algorithm)  Number of frames to pack globally (0:(entire GOF))  Remove the reference to the previous frame (0(default), 1)
lossyRawPointPatchGeoQP globalPatchAllocation globalPackingStrategyGOF globalPackingStrategyReset	for raw points selection: double value between 0.0 and 1.0 (default=0.35)  QP value for geometry in lossy raw points patch (default=4)  Global temporally consistent patch allocation.(0: anchor's packing method(default), 1: gpa algorithm, 2: gtp algorithm)  Number of frames to pack globally (0:(entire GOF))  Remove the reference to the previous frame (0(default), 1) matched patches area ratio threshold (decides
lossyRawPointPatchGeoQP globalPatchAllocation globalPackingStrategyGOF globalPackingStrategyReset globalPackingStrategyThreshold	for raw points selection: double value between 0.0 and 1.0 (default=0.35)  QP value for geometry in lossy raw points patch (default=4)  Global temporally consistent patch allocation.(0: anchor's packing method(default), 1: gpa algorithm, 2: gtp algorithm)  Number of frames to pack globally (0:(entire GOF))  Remove the reference to the previous frame (0(default), 1)  matched patches area ratio threshold (decides if connections are valid or not, 0(default))
lossyRawPointPatchGeoQP  globalPatchAllocation  globalPackingStrategyGOF  globalPackingStrategyReset  globalPackingStrategyThreshold  patchPrecedenceOrder	for raw points selection: double value between 0.0 and 1.0 (default=0.35)  QP value for geometry in lossy raw points patch (default=4)  Global temporally consistent patch allocation.(0: anchor's packing method(default), 1: gpa algorithm, 2: gtp algorithm)  Number of frames to pack globally (0:(entire GOF))  Remove the reference to the previous frame (0(default), 1)  matched patches area ratio threshold (decides if connections are valid or not, 0(default))  Order of patches
lossyRawPointPatchGeoQP globalPatchAllocation globalPackingStrategyGOF globalPackingStrategyReset globalPackingStrategyThreshold patchPrecedenceOrder	for raw points selection: double value between 0.0 and 1.0 (default=0.35)  QP value for geometry in lossy raw points patch (default=4)  Global temporally consistent patch allocation.(0: anchor's packing method(default), 1: gpa algorithm, 2: gtp algorithm)  Number of frames to pack globally (0:(entire GOF))  Remove the reference to the previous frame (0(default), 1) matched patches area ratio threshold (decides if connections are valid or not, 0(default))  Order of patches  Low Delay encoding (0(default): do nothing,
lossyRawPointPatchGeoQP globalPatchAllocation globalPackingStrategyGOF globalPackingStrategyReset globalPackingStrategyThreshold patchPrecedenceOrder	for raw points selection: double value between 0.0 and 1.0 (default=0.35)  QP value for geometry in lossy raw points patch (default=4)  Global temporally consistent patch allocation.(0: anchor's packing method(default), 1: gpa algorithm, 2: gtp algorithm)  Number of frames to pack globally (0:(entire GOF))  Remove the reference to the previous frame (0(default), 1) matched patches area ratio threshold (decides if connections are valid or not, 0(default))  Order of patches  Low Delay encoding (0(default): do nothing, 1: does not allow overlap of patches bounding
lossyRawPointPatchGeoQP globalPatchAllocation globalPackingStrategyGOF globalPackingStrategyReset globalPackingStrategyThreshold patchPrecedenceOrder lowDelayEncoding	for raw points selection: double value between 0.0 and 1.0 (default=0.35)  QP value for geometry in lossy raw points patch (default=4)  Global temporally consistent patch allocation.(0: anchor's packing method(default), 1: gpa algorithm, 2: gtp algorithm)  Number of frames to pack globally (0:(entire GOF))  Remove the reference to the previous frame (0(default), 1) matched patches area ratio threshold (decides if connections are valid or not, 0(default))  Order of patches  Low Delay encoding (0(default): do nothing, 1: does not allow overlap of patches bounding boxes for low delay encoding)
lossyRawPointPatchGeoQP globalPatchAllocation globalPackingStrategyGOF globalPackingStrategyReset globalPackingStrategyThreshold patchPrecedenceOrder lowDelayEncoding	for raw points selection: double value between 0.0 and 1.0 (default=0.35)  QP value for geometry in lossy raw points patch (default=4)  Global temporally consistent patch allocation.(0: anchor's packing method(default), 1: gpa algorithm, 2: gtp algorithm)  Number of frames to pack globally (0:(entire GOF))  Remove the reference to the previous frame (0(default), 1)  matched patches area ratio threshold (decides if connections are valid or not, 0(default))  Order of patches  Low Delay encoding (0(default): do nothing, 1: does not allow overlap of patches bounding boxes for low delay encoding)  Selects the background filling operation for
lossyRawPointPatchGeoQP globalPatchAllocation globalPackingStrategyGOF globalPackingStrategyReset globalPackingStrategyThreshold patchPrecedenceOrder lowDelayEncoding	for raw points selection: double value between 0.0 and 1.0 (default=0.35)  QP value for geometry in lossy raw points patch (default=4)  Global temporally consistent patch allocation.(0: anchor's packing method(default), 1: gpa algorithm, 2: gtp algorithm)  Number of frames to pack globally (0:(entire GOF))  Remove the reference to the previous frame (0(default), 1) matched patches area ratio threshold (decides if connections are valid or not, 0(default))  Order of patches  Low Delay encoding (0(default): do nothing, 1: does not allow overlap of patches bounding boxes for low delay encoding)  Selects the background filling operation for geometry (0: anchor, 1(default): 3D geometry

	compensation.(0: conventional video coding,
	1: 3D motion compensated)
geometry3dCoordinatesBitdepth	Bit depth of geomtery 3D coordinates
geometryNominal2dBitdepth	Bit depth of geometry 2D
nbPlrmMode	Number of PLR mode
patchSize	Size of Patch for PLR
enhancedProjectionPlaneUse	Enhanced Projection Plane(0: OFF, 1: ON)
minWeightEPP	Minimum value
additionalProjectionPlaneMode	additiona Projection Plane Mode 0:none
	1:Y-Axis 2:X-Axis 3:Z-Axis 4:All-Axis 5:apply
	to portion
partialAdditionalProjectionPlane	The value determines the partial point cloud.
	It's available with only
	additionalProjectionPlaneMode(5)
enablePointCloudPartitioning	
roiBoundingBoxMinX	
roiBoundingBoxMaxX	
roiBoundingBoxMinY	
roiBoundingBoxMaxY	
roiBoundingBoxMinZ	
roiBoundingBoxMaxZ	
numTilesHor	
tileHeightToWidthRatio	
numCutsAlong1stLongestAxis	
numCutsAlong2ndLongestAxis	
numCutsAlong3rdLongestAxis	
mortonOrderSortRawPoints	
pbfEnableFlag	enable patch block filtering
pbfFilterSize	pbfFilterSize
pbfPassesCount	pbfPassesCount
pbfLog2Threshold	pbfLog2Threshold
Metrics	
computeChecksum	Compute checksum
computeMetrics	Compute metrics
normalDataPath	Input pointcloud to encode.
	Multi-frame sequences may be
	represented by %04i
resolution	Specify the intrinsic resolution
dropdups	0(detect), 1(drop), 2(average)
	subsequent points with same
	coordinates
neighborsProc	
neighborst foe	0(undefined), 1(average), 2(weighted
neighborst foc	0(undefined), 1(average), 2(weighted average), 3(min), 4(max) neighbors

# **4.4.2** Decoder parameters

Parameter=Value	Usage	
help	This help text	
Global		
c,config	Configuration file name	
compressedStreamPath	Input	

	compressed bitstream
reconstructedDataPath	Output decoded pointcloud. Multi-frame
	sequences may be represented by %04i
startFrameNumber	Fist frame number in sequence to
	encode/decode
colorTransform	The colour transform to be applied:
	0: none
	1: RGB to YCbCr (Rec.709)
colorSpaceConversion	Path to the HDRConvert. If unset, an
Path	internal color space conversion is
	used
inverseColorSpaceConversion	HDRConvert configuration file used for
Config	YUV420 to RGB444 conversion
videoDecoderPath=	HM video decoder executable
videoDecoderOccupancyMap	HM lossless video decoder executable
Path	for occupancy map
nbThread	Number of thread used for parallel
	processing
keepIntermediateFiles	Keep intermediate files: RGB, YUV and
-	bin
testLevelOfDetail	Disable patch sampling resolution
Signaling	scaling; use in conjunction with same
	parameter in encoder
patchColorSubsampling	Enable per-patch color up-sampling
Metrics	
computeChecksum=1	Compute checksum
computeMetrics=1	Compute metrics
uncompressedDataFolder	Folder where the uncompress input data
ancompressed and order	are stored, use for cfg relative
	paths.
startFrameNumber	Fist frame number in sequence to
starti ramer tamoer	encode/decode
frameCount	Number of frames to encode
groupOfFramesSize	Random access period
uncompressedDataPath	Input pointcloud to encode.
uncompressedDatar attr	Multi-frame sequences may be
	represented by %04i
reconstructedDataPath	Output decoded pointcloud. Multi-frame
reconstructed Datar attr	sequences may be represented by %04i
normalDataPath	Input pointcloud to encode.
normanDatar atti	Multi-frame sequences may be
	represented by %04i
resolution	Specify the intrinsic resolution
	0(detect), 1(drop), 2(average)
dropdups	
	subsequent points with same coordinates
naighbaraDras	
neighborsProc	0(undefined), 1(average), 2(weighted
	average), 3(min), 4(max) neighbors
1.701	with same geometric distance
nbThread	Number of thread used for parallel
	processing
minimumImageHeight	Ignore parameter

Ignore parameter
Ignore parameter
Check conformance
Root directory of conformance files and
prefix: S26C03R03_
Level indice
Frame per second

## **4.4.3** Metrics parameters

Usage
This help text
Compute checksum
Compute metrics
Fist frame number in sequence to
encode/decode
Number of frames to encode
Input pointcloud to encode. Multi-frame
sequences may be represented by %04i
Output decoded pointcloud. Multi-frame
sequences may be represented by %04i
Input pointcloud to encode. Multi-frame
sequences may be represented by %04i
Specify the intrinsic resolution
0(detect), 1(drop), 2(average) subsequent
points with same coordinates
0(undefined), 1(average), 2(weighted
average), 3(min), 4(max) neighbors with
same geometric distance
Number of thread used for parallel
processing
Ignore parameter
Ignore parameter
Ignore parameter

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