



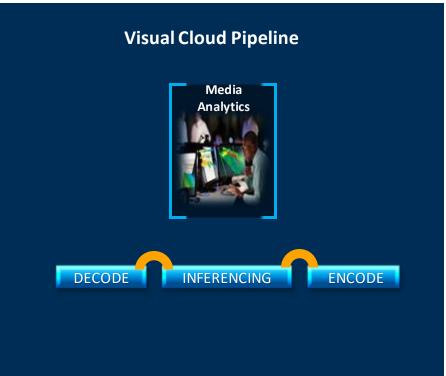
# ACCELERATED GROWTH OF THE VISUAL CLOUD THROUGH OPEN SOURCING SVT-HEVC & SVT-AV1

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# **VISUAL CLOUD**







## VISUAL CLOUD: GROWTH STRATEGY



#### Software First

- Optimize the SW architecture & algorithms (e.g., SVT) for current Intel® Xeon™ processors
- Increase the CPU performance and HW support for visual workloads of future-generation Intel® Xeon™ processors



#### **Open Source**

- Launch new open source visual workload projects (e.g., SVT-HEVC, Open Vino),
- Lead in the development of future open source visual workload projects (e.g., SVT-AV1)



#### Fast Productization & Deployment

- Develop one pipeline for many visual workloads
- Adopt a permissive license with explicit patent rights\*

#### **Benefits**

High scalability, high performance and excellent visual quality with optimized algorithms & software

Continuous optimizations and use-case customizations by ecosystem partners & customers

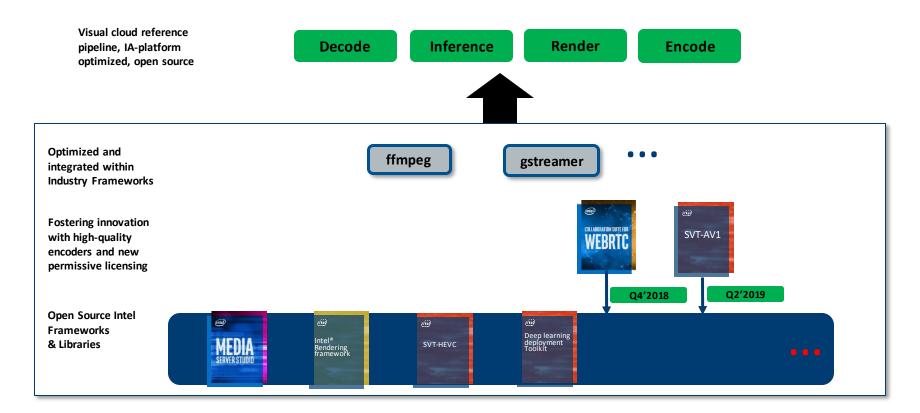
Reduced TTM/TCO for customers

→ Growth of the Visual Cloud

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# **VISUAL CLOUD: GROWTH STRATEGY**





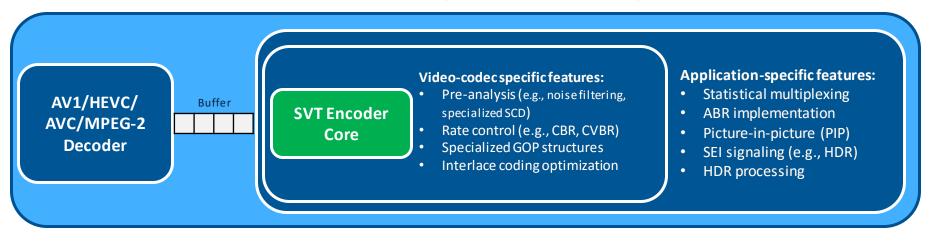
# SCALABLE VIDEO TECHNOLOGY (SVT)

- Standard-agnostic architecture that divides a *core encoder* (e.g., HEVC, AV1, VP9, AVC, AVS2, AVS3) into:
  - Analysis (e.g., Inter/Intra search, mean, variance, edge detection),
  - Mode Decision (e.g., Partitioning, mode decision),
  - Encode-Decode (e.g., Encode, decode, filtering), and
  - Entropy Coding processes.
- Standard-Agnostic Algorithms & Features:
  - Segment-based parallelism
  - HVS-optimized classification:
    - o Data-efficient processing
    - o Computation-efficient depth/mode decision
    - Better tradeoffs between rate and visual quality
  - Resource-adaptive scalability



## **SVT CORE ENCODER**

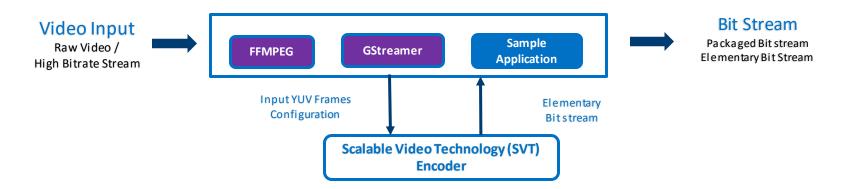
#### Visual Transcoder (SVT Encoder Core Inside)



- **SVT Encoder core** (developed and open-sourced by Intel)
- Components developed by partner codec ISVs and/or customers for a complete visual transcoder



# **SVT ENCODER INTERFACE**



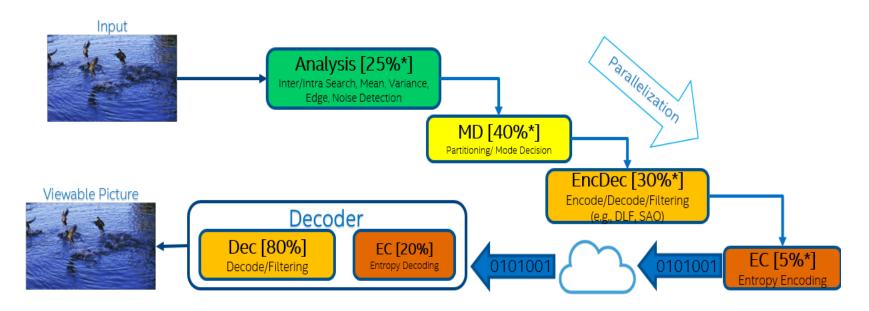
#### **Interface Features**

- Up to thirteen encoding presets: M0-M12
- VBR-like rate control & speed control
- Support for the following prediction structures:
  - 2-6 hierarchical-layer RA structures
  - 1-3 hierarchical-layer LDB structures

- Available with September 28<sup>th</sup> SVT-HEVC Release
- Expected Completion in Q4'2018



# **SVT ARCHITECTURE**

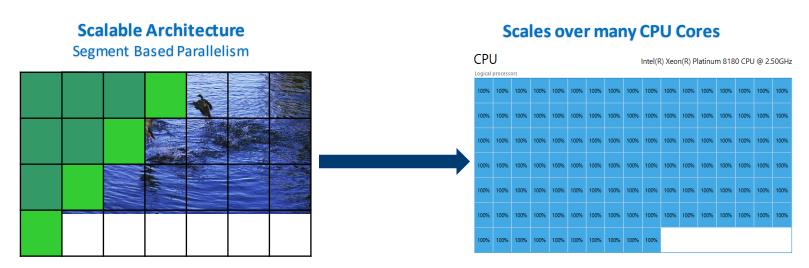


\* CPU load estimates based on real-time encoding (preset M11) of 4Kp60/10-bit/HDR video content

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## **SVT FEATURES:** SEGMENT-BASED PARALLELISM



- Picture split into multiple segments:
  - Each segment processed on a separate core in parallel while complying with inter-dependencies
  - No loss in video quality (i.e. same output bit stream)



#### **SVT FEATURES:** DATA-EFFICIENT PROCESSING



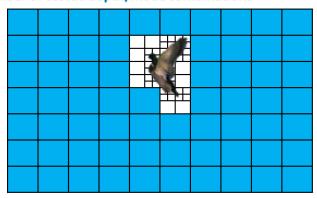
- o Analyze and Detect: Spatiotemporal analysis results used through an HVS-optimized classifier to detect areas of interest to the viewer
- o **Preserve or Estimate:** Most important areas preserved while estimates (e.g., PF) used to approximate the other areas



#### **SVT FEATURES:** COMPUTATION-EFFICIENT DEPTH/MODE DECISIONS

Spatiotemporal data used through classifier to minimize the average number of tested depth/mode combinations





**Content Adaptive Depth & Mode Decision:** Spatiotemporal characteristics employed through the same HVS-optimized *classifier* to minimize (through prediction) the average number of tested depth/mode combinations.



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#### **SVT FEATURES:** BETTER RATE-VQ TRADEOFFS

Employ the same HVS-optimized *classifier* to avoid the coding of areas where the artifacts would unlikely be detected by the human eye 

Substantially lower bit rate while maintaining same visual quality

HVS-targeted (through *classifier*) optimizations  $\rightarrow$  15-25% bitrate savings for 4kp60/10-bit video content



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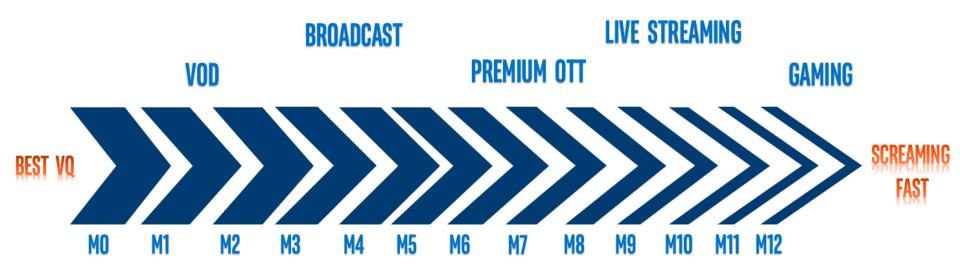
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## **SVT FEATURES:** RESOURCE ADAPTIVE SCALABILITY

Picture- and segment-based parallelism + multi-precision-level features + high optimization for Intel® SkyLake® Xeon-SP<sup>m</sup> and Xeon-D $^{m}$  processors  $\rightarrow$  For a given number of CPU cores, SVT encoder achieves *multiple excellent tradeoffs* between performance, latency and visual quality.



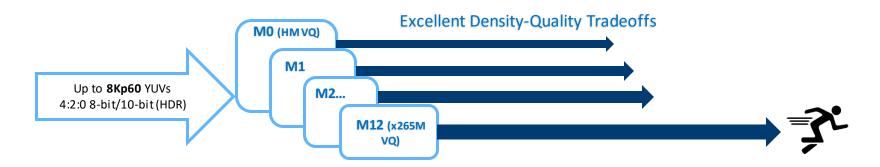


## WHY SVT?

- Enables up to 13 presets corresponding to excellent tradeoffs between speed, latency and visual quality → Can be applied to VOD, broadcast, streaming, surveillance, cloud graphics, video conferencing, etc.
- Available through the open-source community: Optimizations and customizations by partners & customers
- → Enables reduced TTM/TCO for our partners and customers



#### **EXAMPLE: SVT-HEVC ENCODER CORE**



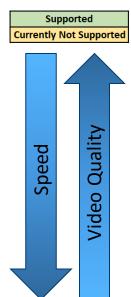
#### Supports the following:

- 1. HEVC Main and Main 10 profiles, up to Level 5.1
- 2. Video input resolutions up to 8Kp60, 4:2:0, 8-bit and 10-bit (HDR)
- 3. Two modes: Objective-quality and subjective-quality modes
- 4. Up to thirteen presets: M0-M12, providing fine granularity in the selection of the quality versus density tradeoffs





#### **EXAMPLE:** SVT-HEVC ENCODER PRESETS



	Al. Toward	Subjective Quality Mode [SQ] ( -tune 0 )					Objective Quality Mode [OQ] ( -tune 1 )				
Preset	4k Target set Speed on	480p	720p	1080p	4k	8k	480p	720p	1080p	4k	8k
	1x8180 (fps)	Resolution Class	Resolution Class	Resolution Class	Resolution Class	Resolution Class	Resolution Class	Resolution Class	Resolution Class	Resolution Class	Resolution Class
M	0 3	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
M	1 5	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
M	2 10	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
M	3 15	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
M	4 25	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
M	5 40	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
M	6 60	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	<b>✓</b>
M	7 75	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
M	8 90	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	<b>✓</b>	✓	✓	✓
M	9 120	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	<b>✓</b>	✓	✓	✓
M:	10 150	Х	Х	✓	✓	✓	Х	Х	✓	✓	✓
M	11 165	Х	х	х	✓	✓	Х	Х	Х	х	Х
M	12 180	Х	х	х	✓	✓	х	х	х	х	х

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# SVT-HEVC: REAL-TIME PERFORMANCE ON INTEL® XEON® PROCESSORS





- One 8Kp60 10-bit HDR encode stream (M11)
- Up to 2 x 8Kp50 10-bit HDR encode streams (M12)
- Up to 6 x 4Kp60 10-bit HDR encode streams (M12)

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8k60: 7680x4320 @ 60 fps encoding @ 20Mbps 4k60: 3840x2160 @ 60 fps encoding @ 10Mbps







#### Dual Intel® Xeon® Gold 6148 Processor / RU

- Up to 4 x 4kp60 10-bit HDR encode streams (M12)
- Up to 10 x 1080p60 10-bit HDR encode streams (M10)

Specific System Configuration and Workload Details: 2x Intel® Xeon® Gold processor 6148, 2.4GHz, 20 cores, turbo and HT on, 192GB total memory, 12 slots / 16GB / 2666 MT/s / DDR4 LRDIMM, 1 x 800GB, Intel SSD SC2BA800G4 / OS: Ubuntu Server 16.04 Linux 4.4.0-87-generic, ucode 0x200004d.

4k60: 3840x2160 @ 60 fps encoding @10Mbps 1080p60: 1920x1080 @ 60 fps encoding @7Mbps

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#### **ABR Profile**

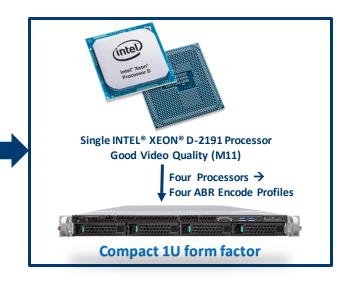
1 x 4kp60/10-bit Stream

1 x 1080p60/10-bit Stream

1 x 720p60/8-bit Stream

1 x 480p60/8-bit Stream

1 x 360p60/8-bit Stream



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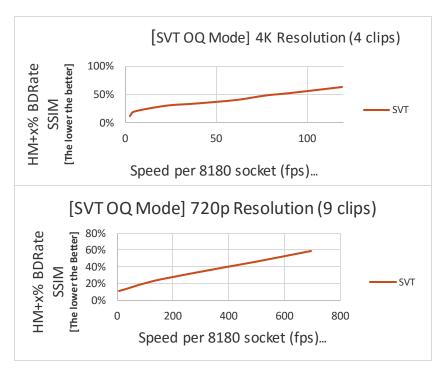
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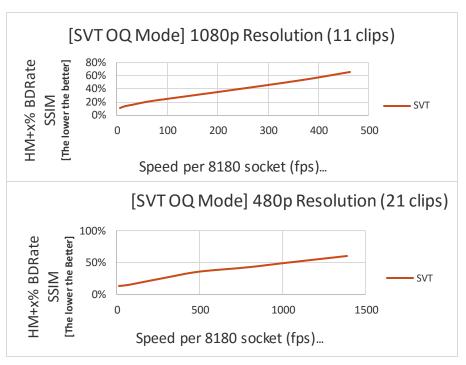
Resolution and Bitrate Details: 4k: 3840x2160 @ 10Mbps / 1920x1080 @ 6Mbps / 1280x720 @ 3Mbps / 640x480 @ 1Mbps / 480x360 @ 700Kbps





#### **SVT-HEVC:** EXCELLENT DENSITY-QUALITY TRADEOFFS





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Config: Encoders: SVT-HEVC: version 1.1 / x265 version 2.7 COP mode for both.

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#### **SVT-HEVC:** EXCELLENT DENSITY-QUALITY TRADEOFFS

# Similar 4K Visual Quality [SVT SQ Mode] to HM → ~70:1 Speed Advantage

SVT-HEVC SQ M0 vs HM 16 (4Kp60 Content)						
Average DMOS VQ Score	Speed up factor SVT vs HM					
0.1	~70					

Testing conditions based on ITU-T P.913, with a pool of 3 viewers on 15 4k test clips. Encoder versions: SVT-HEVC v. 1.2.0 MO vs HM 16

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# Similar 4K Visual Quality [SVT SQ Mode] to x265 (VBR) → ~178:1 Speed Advantage

SVT-HEVC SQ M11 vs x265 veryslow (out of the box*) (4Kp60 Content)					
Average DMOS VQ Score	Speed up factor SVT vs x265				
-0.2	~178				

Video quality tests performed by Intel using subjective visual MDS comparison of the output of both encoders using VBR at iso bitrate. Testing conditions based on ITU-T P.913, with a pool of 21 viewers on 12 4 ktest clips. Encoder versions: SVT-HBCV 12.0 M11 / X56 HEVC encoder version 2.9 [verslow ]

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Comparison done using 12 public 4k clips, SVT-HEVC running four concurrent encodings at an average of 83fps each and x265 p8 running four concurrent encodings at an average of 0.A3fps each. Bitrates tested: 7, 10 and 12 Mbps depending on the test clip.

\*Above comparison employed "out of box" versions of the two encoders; The results also apply to 4Kp60 content only.

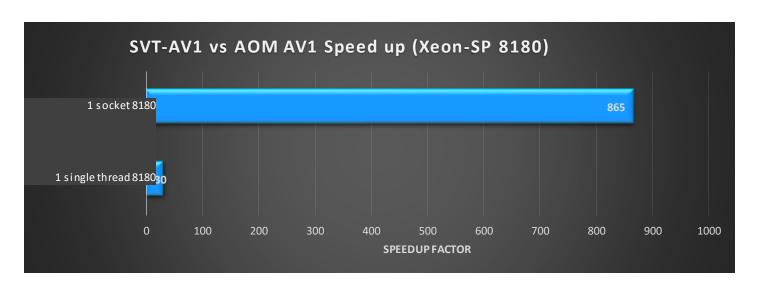
SVT-HEVC's advantage expected to decrease for lower resolutions and/or optimized versions of the x265 encoder

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#### **SVT-AV1:** EXCELLENT DENSITY-QUALITY TRADEOFFS



#### Similar Visual Quality, Much Faster!!

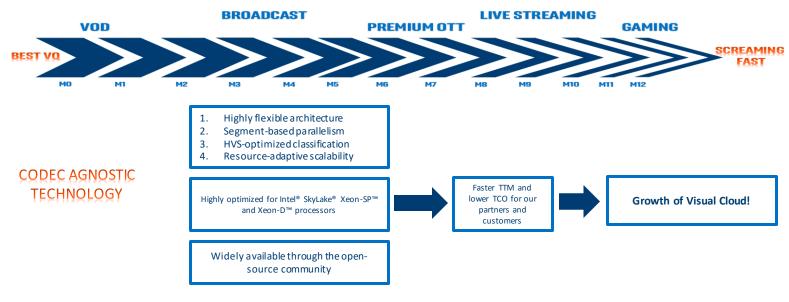
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## **SUMMARY & NEXT STEPS**



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- We welcome your *feedback* using the "issues" tab: https://eithub.com/intel/SVT-HEVC/issues
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