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The value returned had to be estimated. Its accuracy can't be guaranteed.		
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Cannot get or set time-related information on an object that is using a time format of		
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Could not make the connection because the stream is read-only and the filter alters the data.		
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<b>VFW_E_BAD_VIDEOCD</b>	0x80040269	617
The Video CD can't be read correctly by the device or is the data is corrupt.		
<b>VFW_S_NO_STOP_TIME</b>	0x80040270	618
The sample had a start time but not a stop time. In this case, the stop time returned is set to the start time plus one. The <a href="#">IMediaSample::GetTime</a> method can return this success code.		
<b>VFW_E_OUT_OF_VIDEO_MEMORY</b>	0x80040271	619
There is not enough video memory at this display resolution and number of colors. Reducing resolution might help.		
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The video port connection negotiation process has failed.		
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Either Microsoft DirectDraw® has not been installed or the video card capabilities are not suitable. Make sure the display is not in 16-color mode.

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## Filters and Samples

This topic contains a brief description of the filters and sample applications shipped with DirectShow. The filters are supplied as binary code only and are available through the Filter Graph Editor. The samples include source code and demonstrate how to write DirectShow filters and applications. You can use these filters and samples as they are or modify them for your own applications.

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## DirectShow Filters

Microsoft® DirectShow™ provides filters and samples as part of the DirectShow Software Development Kit (SDK). A filter is supplied as binary code only, and is one of the filters listed in the Filter Graph Editor when you choose **Insert Filters** from the **Graph** menu. Filters are described in this section.

Samples include source code. Some samples are filters and some are applications. Some of the sample filters are registered and appear in the Filter Graph Editor. Other sample filters must be built and registered before they will appear in the Filter Graph Editor. Sample filters (and sample applications) are described in [DirectShow Samples](#).

The DirectShow SDK provides the following filters:

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- [Audio Capture](#)
- [Audio Renderer](#)
- [AVI Compressor](#)
- [AVI Decompressor](#)
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## ACM Audio Compressor

The ACM Audio Compressor filter acts as a container for the Audio Compression Manager (ACM), integrating the ACM with the DirectShow architecture. It supports the [IAMStreamConfig](#) interface, which lets you control audio capture or compression information from a filter's output pin.

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## Analog Video Crossbar

The WDM-based Analog Video Crossbar filter can select or route analog video. The single output stream represents a hardware path for analog baseband video. One of the input pins comes from a TV Tuner (the [TV Tuner Filter](#)). Other input pins support video streams.

The Analog Video Crossbar filter exposes the [IAMCrossbar](#) interface, which is used for routine source selection.

This filter is available through Windows 98 and Windows NT 5.

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## Audio Capture

The Audio Capture (WaveIn) filter is installed with the DirectShow run time. If you have audio capture hardware, this filter is available in the Filter Graph Editor when you choose **Insert Filters** from the **Graph** menu, under the Audio Capture Source category.

Unlike ordinary DirectShow filters, special category filters, such as Audio Capture Source filters, can work with more than one device. When DirectShow is installed, it will look for devices installed on your computer that work with the special category filter and list the options in that category. For example, in the Audio Capture Source filter category, DirectShow will list all the audio capture cards (which includes sound cards with microphone inputs) installed on the system. You then need to choose which device to use.

The audio capture filter has one capture output pin and several input pins (one for each type of input on the card, such as LineIn, Mic, CD, and MIDI).

The filter and its input pins each support [IAMAudioInputMixer](#).

The output pin supports [IAMStreamConfig](#).

This filter enables your sound capture card(s). If you have a sound card, it will be listed under in the Filter Graph Editor's list of filters in the Audio Capture Source category, with a name indicating the sound card it is enabling.

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## Audio Renderer

The Audio Renderer filter is a generic audio rendering filter that you can connect to the output of any of the following filters, if they contain WAV audio: [File Source \(Async\)](#), [File Source \(URL\)](#), [MPEG-1 Stream Splitter](#), [AVI Splitter](#), [WAVE Parser](#), or any audio transform filter. This filter does not check the audio stream's subtype; the [WAVEFORMAT](#) or [WAVEFORMATEX](#) structure passed in the format block contains the information needed to connect to this filter.



The filter's property sheet contains the following:

Tab	Property	Values
Audio Input Pin (rendered)	Preferred Media Types	Lists the major type, subtype, and format.
Audio Renderer	<b>wFormatTag</b>	Waveform-audio format type. Many compression algorithms have registered format tags; the Mmreg.h header file contains a complete list of these format tags.
	<b>nChannels</b>	Number of channels in the waveform-audio data. Monaural data uses one channel and stereo data uses two channels.
	<b>nSamplePerSec</b>	Rate, in samples per second (hertz), at which each channel should play or record. If <b>wFormatTag</b> is WAVE_FORMAT_PCM, then common values for <b>nSamplePerSec</b> are 8.0 kHz, 11.025 kHz, 22.05 kHz, and 44.1 kHz. For non-PCM formats, you must compute this member according to the manufacturer's format specification.
	<b>nAvgBytesPerSec</b>	Required average data-transfer rate, in bytes per second, for the format tag. If <b>wFormatTag</b> is WAVE_FORMAT_PCM, then <b>nAvgBytesPerSec</b> should equal the product of <b>nSamplesPerSec</b> and <b>nBlockAlign</b> . For formats other than pulse code modulation (PCM), you must compute this member according to the manufacturer's format specification. Playback and record software can estimate buffer sizes by using the <b>nAvgBytesPerSec</b> member.
	<b>nBlockAlign</b>	Block alignment, in bytes. The block alignment is the smallest unit of data for the <b>wFormatTag</b> format type. If <b>wFormatTag</b> is WAVE_FORMAT_PCM, then <b>nBlockAlign</b> should equal <b>nChannels</b> . For non-PCM formats, this member must be computed according to the manufacturer's format specification.
	<b>Rate</b>	Playback and record software must process a multiple of <b>nBlockAlign</b> bytes of data at a time. Data written and read from a device must always start at the beginning of a block. For example, it is illegal to start playback of PCM data in the middle of a sample (that is, on a non-block-aligned boundary). Specifies the rendering rate for this file. This value acts as a multiplier; 1.0 represents the authored speed. Read-only.

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## AVI Compressor

The AVI compressor filter has one input pin and one output pin.

The filter supports the [IAMVfwCompressDialogs](#) interface.

The output pin supports the [IAMStreamConfig](#) and [IAMVideoCompression](#) interfaces.

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## AVI Decompressor

The AVI Decompressor filter decompresses AVI input and generates suitable output for a video rendering filter or an intervening video transform filter.

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## AVI Draw

This filter handles [IOverlay](#) interface support for an audio-video interleaved (AVI) video data stream. The AVI Draw filter's input pin connects to a video data output pin from the [AVI Splitter](#) filter. The AVI Draw output pin must connect to a filter that supports overlays; currently, the [Video Renderer](#) filter is the only such filter included with the DirectShow SDK.

DirectShow typically uses this filter to play back motion-JPEG (MJPEG) compressed AVI files on a computer with hardware support for MJPEG playback. In a general sense, this filter negotiates connections between specific hardware devices and AVI video streams that rely on those hardware devices, such as video capture and playback cards. This filter is not needed for playback or processing of streams that are hardware-independent.

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## AVI MUX

The AVI MUX filter takes the input from one or more media streams, converts the data if necessary, and combines it to produce a single output data stream in audio-video interleaved (AVI) format. This filter's output pin must be connected to the [File Writer](#) filter.

The AVI MUX's default behavior produces an AVI 1.0 format interleaved data stream. Use the [IConfigAviMux](#) interface to change the compatibility index.

The filter's property sheet contains the following:

Tab	Property	Values
Interleaving	Interleaving	Controls the level of interleaving between the source media files; you can specify the level of interleaving: none, capture, or full.
	Interleaving Parameters	Sets the audio preroll and interleaving frequency (measured in milliseconds).
	Throughput Statistics	Displays the number of dropped frames on the output data stream.
AVI Specific	Capture Drift: master stream	Enable and disable Capture Drift on the specified master stream.
AVI Out	Preferred Media Types	Displays the major type, subtype, and format of the output data stream.
Input 0X	Preferred Media Types	Displays the major type, subtype, and format of the specified input data stream.

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## AVI Splitter

The AVI Splitter filter parses AVI-compressed video data and splits it into the component data streams. It can be connected to the [File Source \(async\)](#), [File Source \(URL\)](#), or [AVI/WAV File Source](#) filter supplied with DirectShow, or a third-party filter that delivers a compressed AVI stream and can interface with an asynchronous parser.

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## AVI/WAV File Source

The AVI/WAV File Source filter reads AVI and WAV source files and generates the appropriate output pins for the file type.

For WAV files, the filter creates an audio output pin, which produces an audio stream that can

be connected to an audio rendering filter or intervening audio transform filter.

For AVI files, the filter creates a video output pin, which produces a compressed AVI stream suitable for the AVI codec filter, and an audio output pin, which produces an audio stream suitable for an audio rendering filter or an intervening audio transform filter.

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## Color Space Converter

This transform filter converts from one RGB color type to another, such as between 24-bit and 8-bit RGB color. You can use this filter to convert to a color space used by the video rendering filter, such as from the [AVI Decompressor](#) filter to the [Full Screen Renderer](#) filter.

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## Cutlist File Source

This source filter can output different pieces of different .avi or .wav files seamlessly and efficiently. It can be used for nonlinear video editing and for audio editing.

Using the CutListGraphBuilder object, the SimpleCutList object, and the VideoFileClip and AudioFileClip objects, an application can build a cutlist out of pieces of .avi and .wav, and use the DirectShow Cutlist Source Filter to play it.

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## DSound Audio Renderer

The DSound Audio Renderer filter is a generic audio rendering filter that you can connect to the output of any of the following filters, if they contain WAV audio: [File Source \(Async\)](#), [File Source \(URL\)](#), [MPEG-1 Stream Splitter](#), [AVI Splitter](#), [WAVE Parser](#), or any audio transform filter. In addition to its basic sound-rendering capabilities, this filter can process Microsoft DirectX® DirectSound® API calls; use the [IAMDirectSound](#) methods to set and retrieve the window that will handle the sound playback.

Note that this filter does not check the subtype of the audio stream; the WAVEFORMAT or WAVEFORMATEX structure passed in the format block contains the information needed to connect to this filter. The Audio Renderer is the default audio rendering filter for DirectShow; to use the **DSound Audio Renderer** filter instead, you must insert it into the filter graph before rendering the media file.

The filter's property sheet contains the following:

Tab	Property	Values
Audio Input pin (rendered)	Preferred Media Types	Lists the major type, subtype, and format
Audio Renderer	<b>wFormatTag</b>	Waveform-audio format type. There are many compression algorithms with registered format tags. You can find a complete list of format tags in the Mmreg.h header file.
	<b>nChannels</b>	Number of channels in the waveform-audio data. Monaural data uses one channel and stereo data uses two channels.
	<b>nSamplePerSec</b>	Rate, in samples per second (hertz), at which each channel should play or record. If <b>wFormatTag</b> is <code>WAVE_FORMAT_PCM</code> , then common values for <b>nSamplesPerSec</b> are 8.0 kHz, 11.025 kHz, 22.05 kHz, and 44.1 kHz. For non-PCM formats, you must compute this member according to the manufacturer's format specification.
	<b>nAvgBytesPerSec</b>	Required average data-transfer rate, in bytes per second, for the format tag. If <b>wFormatTag</b> is <code>WAVE_FORMAT_PCM</code> , <b>nAvgBytesPerSec</b> should equal the product of <b>nSamplesPerSec</b> and <b>nBlockAlign</b> . For non-PCM formats, you must compute this member according to the manufacturer's format specification. Playback and record software can estimate buffer sizes by using the <b>nAvgBytesPerSec</b> member.
	<b>nBlockAlign</b>	Block alignment, in bytes. The block alignment is the minimum atomic unit of data for the <b>wFormatTag</b> format type. If <b>wFormatTag</b> is <code>WAVE_FORMAT_PCM</code> , <b>nBlockAlign</b> should equal the product of <b>nChannels</b> and <b>wBitsPerSample</b> divided by 8 (bits per byte). For non-PCM formats, you must compute this member according to the manufacturer's format specification.  Playback and record software must process a multiple of <b>nBlockAlign</b> bytes of data at a time. Data written and read from a device must always start at the beginning of a block. For example, it is illegal to start playback of PCM data in the middle of a sample (that is, on a non-block-aligned boundary).
	Rate	This value represents the rate of audio playback, where 1.0 is the authored speed. This value is a multiplier; a value of 2.0 is twice the authored speed and 0.5 is half.

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## DV Muxer

The DV Muxer filter multiplexes compressed DV video with compressed DV audio.

The DV Muxer filter accepts the following input media types:

From the video input pin:

MEDIATYPE\_Video

MEDIASUBTYPE\_dvsd/dvhd/dvsl

FORMAT: VIDEOINFO

From the audio input pin:

MEDIATYPE\_Audio

MEDIASUBTYPE\_wave

FORMAT: WAVEFORMATEX/NULL

The DV Muxer filter sends the following output media type:

From the video output pin:

MEDIATYPE\_Interleaved(iavs)

MEDIASUBTYPE\_dvsd/dvhd/dvsl

FORMAT: DVINFO

To see a diagram of how to use the DV Muxer filter with the DV Video Encoder filter, see [DV Video Encoder](#).

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## DV Splitter

The DV Splitter filter passes a DV stream to a downstream filter ([DV Video Decoder](#) and converts DV audio to PCM audio.

The DV Splitter filter accepts the following input media type:

MEDIATYPE\_Interleaved(iavs)  
MEDIASUBTYPE\_dvsvd/dvhd/dvsl  
FORMAT: DVINFO

The DV Splitter filter outputs the following output media types:

From the video output pin:

MEDIATYPE\_Video  
MEDIASUBTYPE\_dvsvd/dvhd/dvsl  
FORMAT: VIDEOINFO

From the audio output pin:

MEDIATYPE\_Audio  
MEDIASUBTYPE\_wave  
FORMAT: WAVEFORMATEX

To see a diagram of how to use the DV Splitter filter with the DV Video Decoder filter, see [DV Video Decoder](#).

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## DV Video Decoder

The DV Video Decoder filter decodes a DV stream to uncompressed video.

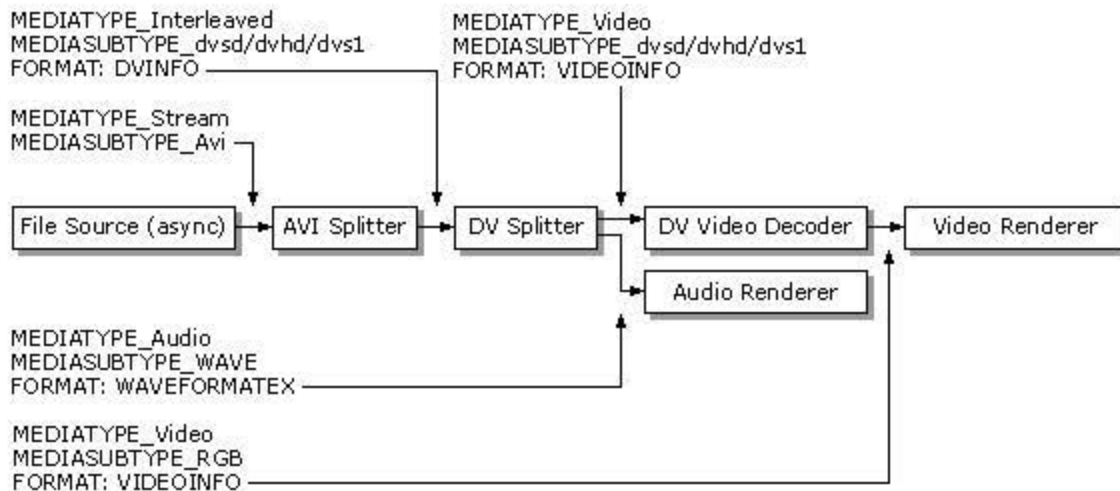
The DV Video Decoder filter accepts the following input media type:

MEDIATYPE\_Video  
MEDIASUBTYPE\_dvsvd/dvhd/dvsl  
FORMAT: VIDEOINFO

The DV Video Decoder filter outputs the following output media type:

MEDIATYPE\_Interleaved  
MEDIASUBTYPE\_RGB/YUYV/and other RGB and FOURCC subtypes  
FORMAT: VIDEOINFO

The following illustration gives an example of how to use DV Video Decoder and DV Splitter filters.



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## DV Video Encoder

The DV Video Encoder filter encodes uncompressed video into a compressed DV stream.

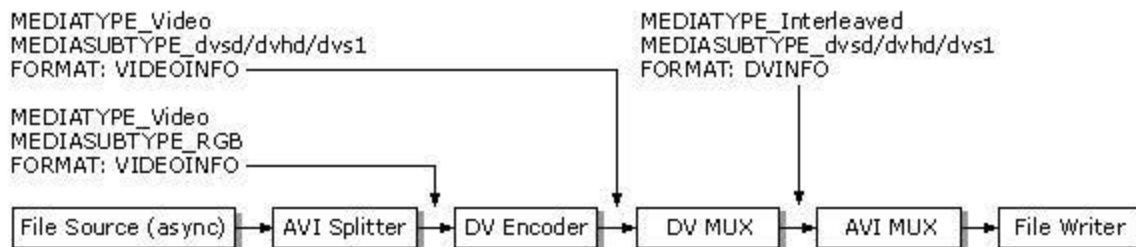
The DV Video Encoder filter accepts the following input media type:

MEDIATYPE\_Video  
 MEDIASUBTYPE\_RGB/YUYV/and other RGB and FOURCC subtypes  
 FORMAT: VIDEOINFO

The DV Video Encoder filter outputs the following output media type:

MEDIATYPE\_Interleaved  
 MEDIASUBTYPE\_dvsd/dvhd/dvs1  
 FORMAT: VIDEOINFO

The following illustration gives an example of how to use DV Video Encoder and DV Muxer filters.



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## DVD Navigator

The DVD Navigator filter is the source filter for a DVD-Video playback filter graph. It opens all necessary files in a DVD-Video volume, navigates through the linear DVD-Video .vob files, and parses the resulting MPEG-2 program stream, splitting the stream into three (video, audio, subpicture) output pins.

The DVD Navigator filter also implements the [IDvdControl](#) and [IDvdInfo](#) interfaces that enable a DVD playback application to control DVD-Video playback.

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## File Source (Async)

The File Source (async) filter is a generic asynchronous source filter that works with any source file whose media major type is stream. This includes AVI, MOV, MPEG, and WAV files. It requires the downstream filter to be a parser, such as the [MPEG-1 Stream Splitter](#), the [AVI Splitter](#), or the [QuickTime Movie Parser](#).

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## File Source (URL)

The File Source (URL) filter is a generic asynchronous source filter that works with any source file that can be identified by a Uniform Resource Locator (URL) and whose media major type is stream. This includes AVI, MOV, MPEG, and WAV files. It requires the downstream filter to be a parser, such as the [MPEG-1 Stream Splitter](#), the [AVI Splitter](#), or the [QuickTime Movie Parser](#).

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## File Stream Renderer

The File Stream Renderer filter renders streams with the major media type `MEDIATYPE_File`. The filter hooks up to output pins of type `MEDIATYPE_File` and renders a separate filename when the pin is rendered. The filename is contained in the **pFormat** field of the media type.

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## File Writer

The File Writer filter writes a stream of bits to disk. The output format matches the input format. The [AVI MUX](#) filter is currently the only filter to which the File Writer can connect, so it writes all data to the specified file in audio-video interleaved (AVI) format. You can create a new output file or specify an existing file; if the file already exists, it will be completely overwritten with the new data.

The time stamps on samples delivered to the file writer are byte offsets in the file. The input pin exposes the COM [IStream](#) interface and supports a subset of the interface. This enables the upstream filter to write data when the graph is stopped.

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## Full Screen Renderer

The Full Screen Renderer filter is a Mode X rendering filter that occupies the entire desktop when it displays video.

Full-screen rendering is enabled from the filter graph manager, which automatically switches between the filter graph's video renderer and the Full Screen Renderer when required; you need not include the Full Screen Renderer in the filter graph beforehand.

The filter's property sheet contains the following:

Tab	Property	Values
Quality	Frames played	Total frames in the video stream
	Frames dropped in renderer	Number of frames dropped during playback
	Average frame rate achieved	Average frames per second displayed during playback
	Jitter (std dev frame time) (mSec)	Standard deviation frame rate, in milliseconds
	Average sync offset (mSec)	Average synchronization offset, in milliseconds
	Std dev sync offset (mSec)	Standard deviation synchronization offset, in milliseconds
Input	Preferred Media Types	Lists the major type, subtype, and format

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## Internal Script Command Renderer

The Internal Script Command Renderer filter accepts data in with a major media type of MEDIATYPE\_Text or MEDIATYPE\_ScriptCommand, and, when it is time to render a particular piece of data, files an [EC\\_OLE\\_EVENT](#) event with the text or command as the parameters.

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## Indeo 4.3 Video Compression

The Indeo® 4.3 Video Compression filter compresses video data into the Indeo 4.3 format. This is typically used when writing out a video file for playback in, for example, a capture filter graph.

For more information about Intel Indeo Video, see the Intel Web site at <http://developer.intel.com/ial/indeo> □ .

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## Indeo 4.3 Video Decompression

The Indeo® 4.3 Video Decompression filter will decompress Indeo 4.3, 4.2, and 4.1 videos. This filter can be used during playback of Indeo 4.0 video files.

For more information about Intel Indeo Video, see the Intel Web site at: <http://developer.intel.com/ial/indeo> □

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## Indeo 5.0 Audio Decompression

The Indeo® 5.0 Audio Decompression filter decompresses Indeo 5.0 audio. This filter can be used during playback of Indeo 5.0 audio files.

For more information about Intel Indeo Audio, see the Intel Web site at <http://developer.intel.com/ial/indeo> □ .

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## Indeo 5.0 Video Compression

The Indeo® 5.0 Video Compression filter compresses video data using the Indeo 5.0 algorithm. This is typically used in a video editing filter graph.

For more information about Intel Indeo Video, see the Intel Web site at <http://developer.intel.com/ial/indeo> □ .

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## Indeo 5.0 Video Decompression

The Indeo® 5.0 Video Decompression filter decompresses video data using the Indeo 5.0 algorithm. This filter can be used during playback of Indeo 5.0 video files.

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## Indeo 5.0 Video Progressive Download Sources

Indeo® Progressive Download video files can be played as they download. The Indeo Video 5.0 Progressive Download Sources filter enables you to play these files. Lower resolution and lower-frame-rate video can be viewed almost immediately, while the display of the Progressive Download file continuously improves in both quality and frame. Indeo Audio Software works with the Indeo Video 5.0 Progressive Download Sources filter.

For more information about Intel Indeo Video, see the Intel Web site at <http://developer.intel.com/ial/indeo> □ .

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## Line 21 Decoder

The Line 21 Decoder filter takes Line 21 data (closed captions) and decodes it to produce a bitmap of media type MEDIATYPE\_VIDEO. The output can then be rendered through a video renderer or mixed in a video mixer, such as the [Overlay Mixer](#).

The Line 21 input data to the filter can be either of two forms: byte-pair data that comes on Line 21 of a video frame or feed, or DVD Line 21 data. For every group of pictures (GOP) in the DVD video stream, there can be a user data packet that has that particular GOP's header information and Line 21 data.

The Line 21 Decoder filter supports the [IAMLine21Decoder](#) and [IBaseFilter](#) interfaces externally, and the [IAMovieSetup](#) interface internally.

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## Lyric Parser

The Lyric Parser filter parses closed captioning information from simple text files. Also see [SAMI \(CC\) Parser](#) and the [Multi-File Parser](#).

The Lyric Parser filter file format is as shown in the following example:

```
;LYRICS
0           Here's some text at the beginning
1000        This shows up after one second
5000        And this after four more seconds
10000       The end.
```

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## MIDI Parser

The MIDI Parser filter parses MIDI data from the [File Source \(Async\)](#) and [File Source \(URL\)](#) filters. The [MIDI Renderer](#) filter can render data from this filter.

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## MIDI Renderer

The MIDI Renderer filter renders MIDI data from the [MIDI Parser](#) filter.

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## MPEG Audio Decoder

The MPEG Audio Decoder filter decompresses MPEG-1 audio data. You usually connect it to the audio output of the [MPEG-1 Stream Splitter](#) filter. The MPEG Audio Decoder filter produces an audio stream suitable for input to an audio rendering filter or intervening audio transform filter.

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## MPEG Video Decoder

The MPEG Video Decoder filter decompresses MPEG-1 video data. Usually, its input comes from the [MPEG-1 Stream Splitter](#) filter and its output goes to a video rendering filter or an intervening video transform filter.

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## MPEG-1 Stream Splitter

The MPEG-1 Stream Splitter filter splits MPEG-1 data into separate audio and video streams. The upstream filter must be the [File Source \(Async\)](#) filter, [File Source \(URL\)](#) filter, or a compatible third-party asynchronous source filter. Its output is compressed video and audio data; you can connect the output to suitable decompressors, such as the [MPEG Video Decoder](#) filter and the [MPEG Audio Decoder](#) filter.

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## Multi-File Parser

The Multi-File Parser filter parses a simple file format that enables multiple actual file names to be specified as though they were one file. This assists you in combining video and text for closed captioning. Also see [SAMI \(CC\) Parser](#) and [Lyric Parser](#).

Multi-File Parser files have the format shown in the following example:

```
;MULTI
http://server/share/video.mpg
http://server/share/captions.smi
```

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## Overlay Mixer

The Overlay Mixer filter provides video port playback support. The filter negotiates the parameters that control the video port with an upstream proxy filter that controls the video port driver. It then renders the video on the screen. It can also mix the video content with closed captions on a second pin, and can be extended to an arbitrary number of pins to add subpicture data and other video components.

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## QuickTime Decompressor

The QuickTime Decompressor filter decompresses files using the Apple® QuickTime® file format. This is typically used during play back of QuickTime files.

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## QuickTime Movie Parser

The QuickTime Movie Parser filter splits Apple® QuickTime® data into audio and video streams. The input pin connects to a source filter such as the [File Source \(Async\)](#) filter or the [File Source \(URL\)](#) filter. The Parser uses the Video For Windows (VFW) decompressor to decompress QuickTime files. If the Video for Windows compressor does not support the compression method, it cannot render the data. The filter creates one output pin for the video stream and one output pin for the audio stream.

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## SAMI (CC) Parser

The SAMI Closed-Caption Parser filter parses closed captioning information from SAMI-formatted files. Also see [Lyric Parser](#).

The SAMI (Synchronized Accessible Media Interchange) interchange format is based on SGML/HTML. Every SAMI document should start with a <SAMI> tag and end with a </SAMI>tag. The document's class name is "Synchronized Accessible Media Interchange" and its file extension is .smi or .sami. At its most basic level, SAMI can be used as an intermediate interchange format for encoding closed captions in the Line-21 for NTSC, MPEG for DVDs, and IFE-ITV formats, and other similar formats.

The following is a sample SAMI document:

```
<SAMI>
<HEAD>
  <Title>President John F. Kennedy Speech</Title>
  <SAMIParam><!--
    Copyright="(C) Copyright 1997, Microsoft Corporation"
    Media="JF Kennedy.wav", none
    Length=73000
    CaptionMetrics=scaleable
    CaptionLineLength=180
    CaptionFontSize=12
    CaptionTextLines=3-->
</SAMIParam>

  <STYLE TYPE="text/css"><!--
    P {margin-left: 29pt; margin-right: 29pt; font-size: 12pt;
      text-align: left; font-family: tahoma, arial, sans-serif;
      font-weight: normal; color: white; background-color: black;}

    TABLE {width: "248pt" ;}

    .ENUSCC {Name: "English Captions"; lang: en-US-CC;}

    #Source {margin-bottom: -15pt; background-color: silver;
      color: black; vertical-align: normal; font-size: 12pt;
      font-family: tahoma, arial, sans-serif;
      font-weight: normal;}

    #Youth {color: greenyellow; font-size: 18pt;}

    #BigPrint-1 {color: yellow; font-size: 24pt;}-->
</STYLE>
</HEAD>

<BODY><TABLE>

  <SYNC Start=0>
    <P Class=ENUSCC ID=Source>Pres. John F. Kennedy
  <SYNC Start=10>
    <P Class=ENUSCC>Let the word go forth,
      from this time and place to friend and foe
      alike that the torch
  <SYNC Start=8800>
    <P Class=ENUSCC>has been passed to a new generations of Americans,
```

```

        born in this century, tempered by war,
<SYNC Start=19500>
    <P Class=ENUSCC>disciplined by a hard and bitter peace,
        proud of our ancient heritage, and unwilling to witness
<SYNC Start=28000>
    <P Class=ENUSCC>or permit the slow undoing of those human rights
        to which this nation has always
<SYNC Start=38000>
    <P Class=ENUSCC>been committed and to which we are
        committed today at home and around the world.
<SYNC Start=46000>
    <P Class=ENUSCC>Let every nation know,
        whether it wishes us well or ill,
        that we shall pay any price, bare any burden,
<SYNC Start=61000>
    <P Class=ENUSCC>meet any hardship, support any friend,
        oppose any foe, to ensure the survival and
        success of liberty.
<SYNC Start=73000>
    <P Class=ENUSCC ID=Source>End of :
    <P Class=ENUSCC>President John F. Kennedy Speech
</TABLE></BODY>
</SAMI>

```

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## TrueMotion 2.0 Decompressor

The TrueMotion Decompressor filter decompresses TrueMotion video. This filter will be used during playback of TrueMotion video files.

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## TV Audio

The TV Audio filter provides control of television audio decoding, stereo or monoaural selection, and secondary audio program (SAP) selection.

This filter is available through the Windows 98 and Windows NT 5.

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## TV Tuner

The TV Tuner filter selects an analog broadcast or cable channel to be viewed. The single output stream is a hardware path for analog baseband video. This output should be an input to the [Analog Video Crossbar](#) filter. The input pins include an input for cable and an antenna input.

The TV Tuner filter exposes the [IAMTVTuner](#) interface, which is used for channel selection.

This filter is available through the Windows 98 and Windows NT 5.

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## VFW Video Capture

The Video Capture filter is installed with the DirectShow run time. If you have video capture hardware that uses Video For Windows, this filter is available in the Filter Graph Editor when you choose **Insert Filters** from the **Graph** menu, under the Video Capture Sources.

Unlike ordinary DirectShow filters, special category filters, such as Video Capture Source filters, can work with more than one device. When DirectShow is installed, it will look for devices installed on your computer that work with the special category filter and list the options in that category. For example, in the Video Capture Source filter category, DirectShow will list all the video capture cards installed on the system. You then need to choose which device to use.

The Video for Windows Video Capture filter has two output pins called Capture and Preview.

The filter supports the [IAMVfwCaptureDialogs](#) interface.

The capture output pin supports the [IAMStreamConfig](#), [IAMVideoCompression](#), and [IAMDroppedFrames](#) interfaces.

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## VGA 16 Color Ditherer

The VGA 16 Color Ditherer filter converts from an RGB color type to a 4-bit color display. You can use this filter to convert to the color space used by video rendering filter, such as from the [AVI Decompressor](#) filter to the [Full Screen Renderer](#) filter.

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## Video Renderer

The Video Renderer filter is a generic video renderer that you can connect to any video transform filter that produces decompressed video data. This filter has its own plug-in distributor in the filter graph manager, which enables applications to set and retrieve properties on the filter by calling the corresponding interface methods on the filter graph manager. Most other DirectShow™ filters are not visible to applications in this manner.

The Video Renderer filter uses DirectX® methods, if the video card supports them. Full-screen rendering is enabled from the filter graph manager, which automatically switches between the Video Renderer and the [Full Screen Renderer](#) when appropriate; you need not include the Full Screen Renderer in the filter graph beforehand.

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## WAVE Parser

The WAVE Parser filter parses WAV-format audio data. The upstream filter must be the [File Source \(Async\)](#) filter, [File Source \(URL\)](#) filter, or a compatible third-party asynchronous source filter that contains WAV audio data. The output stream is uncompressed audio data, which you can connect directly to an audio rendering filter or to an intervening audio transform filter.

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## WDM Video Capture

The Video Capture filter is installed with the DirectShow run time. If you have video capture hardware that uses WDM (Windows Driver Model) and you have Windows 98 or Windows NT 5 installed, this filter is available in the Filter Graph Editor when you choose **Insert Filters** from the **Graph** menu, under the Video Capture Source category.

Unlike ordinary DirectShow filters, special category filters, such as Video Capture Source filters, can work with more than one device. When DirectShow is installed, it will look for devices installed on your computer that work with the special category filter and list the options in that category. For example, in the Video Capture Source filter category, DirectShow will list all the video capture cards installed on the system. You then need to choose which device to use.

The WDM Video Capture filter supports the interfaces and property sets of the WDM capture drivers. It exposes the **IAMAnalogVideoDecoder**, **IAMVideoProcAmp** and **IAMCameraControl** interfaces to applications. Depending on the underlying hardware, the filter exposes one or more output pins that output compressed video, uncompressed video, timecode, and closed captioning data. The output pins expose the IAMStreamControl interface, and in the case of compressed video, the IAMVideoCompression interface as well.

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# DirectShow Samples

This article provides the descriptions of the Microsoft® DirectShow™ samples that are part of the DirectShow Software Development Kit (SDK). These samples demonstrate how to write DirectShow filters and applications that use them.

Microsoft® DirectShow™ provides filters and samples as part of the DirectShow Software Development Kit (SDK). A filter is supplied as binary code only. Samples include source code. Some samples are filters and some are applications. Some of the sample filters are registered and appear in the Filter Graph Editor when you choose **Insert Filters** from the **Graph** menu. Other sample filters must be built and registered before they will appear in the Filter Graph Editor.

The sample paths in this topic refer to the default sample directories created when you install the DirectX Media SDK.

The following sections describe the purpose and functionality of each sample filter or sample application.

## Source Filters

- [Async Sample \(Asynchronous Reader Filter\)](#)
- [Ball Sample \(Bouncing Ball Filter\)](#)
- [Synth Sample \(Audio Synthesizer Filter\)](#)
- [VidCap Sample \(Video Capture Filter\)](#)

## Transform Filters

- [Contrast Sample \(Video Contrast Filter\)](#)
- [EzRGB24 Sample \(Image Effect Filter\)](#)
- [Gargle Sample \(Gargle Filter\)](#)
- [Inftee Sample \(Infinite-Pin Tee Filter\)](#)
- [MPGAudio Sample \(MPEG Audio Decoder Filter\)](#)
- [MPGVideo Sample \(MPEG Video Decoder Filter\)](#)
- [Nullip Sample \(Null In Place Filter\)](#)
- [Nullnull Sample \(Minimal Null Filter\)](#)
- [Vcrctrl Sample \(VCR Control Filter\)](#)

## Renderer Filters

- [Dump Sample \(Dump Filter\)](#)
- [SampVid Sample \(Video Renderer Filter\)](#)
- [Scope Sample \(Oscilloscope Filter\)](#)
- [TextOut Sample \(Text Display Filter\)](#)

## Cutlist Sample Applications

- [CLText Sample \(Text Cutlist Application\)](#)
- [Simplecl Sample \(Cutlist Application\)](#)

## C/C++-based Sample Applications

- [AMCap Sample \(DirectShow Capture Application\)](#)
- [CPlay Sample \(C/COM-based Media Player Application\)](#)
- [Dvdsampl Sample \(DVD Player Application\)](#)
- [InWindow Sample \(Window Playback Application\)](#)
- [IPlay Sample \(Indeo Player Application\)](#)
- [MFCPlay Sample \(C++/COM-based Media Player Application\)](#)
- [MPEGProp Sample \(MPEG Property Page Display Application\)](#)
- [PlayFile Sample \(Simple Playback Application\)](#)
- [ShowStrm Sample \(Multimedia Streaming Application\)](#)
- [VidClip Sample \(Video Editing Application\)](#)

## Visual Basic-based Sample Applications

- [Visual Basic-Based ActiveX Player](#)
- [Visual Basic-Based Filter Graph Builder](#)
- [Visual Basic-Based Filter Graph Player](#)
- [Visual Basic-Based Player](#)

## Miscellaneous Samples

- [PID Sample \(Plug-In Distributor Application\)](#)
- [SampIOS Sample \(IOStream Helper Library\)](#)

## Additional Sample Information

- [Structure of Comments in Sample Source Code](#)
- [Build Information](#)

## Sample Locations

The following table shows the directory location of each sample, assuming the default installation directory.

<b>Sample</b>	<b>Directory location</b>
<a href="#">AMCap Sample (DirectShow Capture Application)</a>	DXMedia\Samples\D\S\Capture\
<a href="#">Async Sample (Asynchronous Reader Filter)</a>	DXMedia\Samples\D\S\Async\
<a href="#">Ball Sample (Bouncing Ball Filter)</a>	DXMedia\Samples\D\S\Ball\
<a href="#">CLText Sample (Text Cutlist Application)</a>	DXMedia\Samples\D\S\Cutlist\Cltext
<a href="#">Contrast Sample (Video Contrast Filter)</a>	DXMedia\Samples\D\S\Contrast\
<a href="#">CPlay Sample (C/COM-based Media Player Application)</a>	DXMedia\Samples\D\S\Player\Cplay\
<a href="#">Dump Sample (Dump Filter)</a>	DXMedia\Samples\D\S\Dump\

<a href="#"><u>Dvdsampl Sample (DVD Player Application)</u></a>	DXMedia\Samples\Ds\Dvdsampl\
<a href="#"><u>EzRGB24 Sample (Image Effect Filter)</u></a>	DXMedia\Samples\Ds\Ezrgb24\
<a href="#"><u>Gargle Sample (Gargle Filter)</u></a>	DXMedia\Samples\Ds\Gargle\
<a href="#"><u>Inftee Sample (Infinite-Pin Tee Filter)</u></a>	DXMedia\Samples\Ds\Inftee\
<a href="#"><u>InWindow Sample (Window Playback Application)</u></a>	DXMedia\Samples\Ds\Player\Inwindow\
<a href="#"><u>IPlay Sample (Indeo Player Application)</u></a>	DXMedia\Samples\Ds\Iplay\
<a href="#"><u>MFCPlay Sample (C++/COM-based Media Player Application)</u></a>	DXMedia\Samples\Ds\Player\Mfcplay\
<a href="#"><u>MPGAudio Sample (MPEG Audio Decoder Filter)</u></a>	DXMedia\Samples\Ds\Mpgaudio\
<a href="#"><u>MPGVideo Sample (MPEG Video Decoder Filter)</u></a>	DXMedia\Samples\Ds\Mpgvideo\
<a href="#"><u>MPEGProp Sample (MPEG Property Page Display Application)</u></a>	DXMedia\Samples\Ds\Player\Mpegprop\
<a href="#"><u>Nullip Sample (Null In Place Filter)</u></a>	DXMedia\Samples\Ds\Nullip\
<a href="#"><u>Nullnull Sample (Minimal Null Filter)</u></a>	DXMedia\Samples\Ds\Nullnull\
<a href="#"><u>PID Sample (Plug-In Distributor Application)</u></a>	DXMedia\Samples\Ds\pids\Iamovie\
<a href="#"><u>PlayFile Sample (Simple Playback Application)</u></a>	DXMedia\Samples\Ds\Player\Playfile\
<a href="#"><u>SampIOS Sample (IOStream Helper Library)</u></a>	DXMedia\Samples\Ds\Iostream\
<a href="#"><u>SampVid Sample (Video Renderer Filter)</u></a>	DXMedia\Samples\Ds\Sampvid\
<a href="#"><u>Scope Sample (Oscilloscope Filter)</u></a>	DXMedia\Samples\Ds\Scope\
<a href="#"><u>ShowStrm Sample (Multimedia Streaming Application)</u></a>	DXMedia\Samples\Ds\Showstrm\
<a href="#"><u>Simplecl Sample (Cutlist Application)</u></a>	DXMedia\Samples\Ds\Cutlist\Simplecl\
<a href="#"><u>Synth Sample (Audio Synthesizer Filter)</u></a>	DXMedia\Samples\Ds\Synth\
<a href="#"><u>TextOut Sample (Text Display Filter)</u></a>	DXMedia\Samples\Ds\Textout\
<a href="#"><u>Vcrctrl Sample (VCR Control Filter)</u></a>	DXMedia\Samples\Ds\Vcrctrl\
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## Structure of Comments in Sample Source Code

The source code for each sample generally includes a standard introduction in one of the source files. This introduction consists of a block of comments in one of the source files describing what the sample illustrates, what base classes it implements, and so on. To find the



introduction to the sample, go to the .cpp file whose name matches the sample. (For samples written in C, the file name ends in .c instead.) The following template shows this introduction with standard headings illustrating the elements that might be included.

```
// What this sample illustrates
// [brief series of 1-line descriptions]
//
// Summary
// [paragraph on what's in the sample, what it does]
//
// Demonstration instructions
// [how to bring it up, for example under GraphEdt, and make it run]
//
// Implementation
// [introduction to the code, how it all works together]
//
// Known problems ("features not illustrated by this sample"):
// [optional]
//
// Files
// [file names and a half-line description of each]
//
// Base classes used (refer to the docs for a diagram of what they inherit):
// [list of base classes directly inherited from (summary of all files)]
```

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## Source Filters

This article details sample source filters. By definition, each of these source filter samples provides at least one output pin. (That is part of what makes them source filters as opposed to other kinds of filters.)

### Contents of this article:

- [Async Sample \(Asynchronous Reader Filter\)](#)
- [Ball Sample \(Bouncing Ball Filter\)](#)
- [Synth Sample \(Audio Synthesizer Filter\)](#)
- [VidCap Sample \(Video Capture Filter\)](#)

### Async Sample (Asynchronous Reader Filter)

The asynchronous reader sample filter, Async, shows how to implement "progressive download" in the DirectShow environment. Async implements the [IAsyncReader](#) interface, which is perhaps the most important aspect of asynchronous processing. It also implements the [IFileSourceFilter](#) interface and defines some helper classes to create filters that conform to the **IAsyncReader** interface.

The Memfile.exe application uses part of the Async sample code. This program reads a file into

memory at a given rate (in kilobytes per second) and plays that file as it comes in.

This filter is not installed in the DirectShow run time and is not included in the list of DirectShow filters in the Filter Graph Editor. To use this filter, you must build and register it.

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#### **Ball Sample (Bouncing Ball Filter)**

The bouncing ball sample source filter, `Ball`, illustrates format negotiation. `Ball` also illustrates the use of the source filter base classes `CSource` and `CSourceStream`.

The code in `Fball.h` and `Fball.cpp` manages the filter interfaces. Those two files contain approximately the minimum code required for a source filter. The `Ball.h` and `Ball.cpp` files contain the code that bounces the ball.

This filter has a single output pin, which provides a video stream that shows a ball bouncing around in the frame. The `Ball` filter also accepts quality-management requests from the downstream graph, which illustrates a simple quality-management strategy. This filter implements the `IQualityControl` interface for that purpose.

This filter is installed with the DirectShow run time and is available through the Filter Graph Editor when you choose **Insert Filters** from the **Graph** menu, and select the DirectShow Filters category.

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#### **Synth Sample (Audio Synthesizer Filter)**

The audio synthesizer sample filter, `Synth`, demonstrates usage of the `CSource` and `CSourceStream` classes in an environment that derives its source from audio. You can use the `Synth` filter as a source filter to synthesize audio waveforms such as sine waveforms, square waveforms, sawtooth waveforms, and swept frequency waveforms.

The `Synth` source filter enables the user to set the waveform, frequency, number of channels, and other properties. The user can set these properties through the property page. To set either the upper or lower endpoint of the swept frequency range, hold down `SHIFT` while adjusting the frequency slider. The property page enables only the controls that affect the audio format — for example, channels, bits per sample, and sampling frequency — while the filter is in a stopped state.

This filter is installed with the DirectShow run time and is available through the Filter Graph Editor when you choose **Insert Filters** from the **Graph** menu, and select the DirectShow Filters category.

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#### **VidCap Sample (Video Capture Filter)**

The `VidCap` sample video capture filter shows you how to handle special category filters, how to implement the COM interfaces for video capture, and how to implement miscellaneous other requirements for video capture.

The VidCap sample filter is not installed with the DirectShow run time. You must install it by calling Regsvr32.exe for VidCap.ax. The sample video capture filter is not part of the run time, but is part of the SDK.

A [video capture filter](#) with the same capability as VidCap is installed with the DirectShow run time and can be seen in the Filter Graph Editor when you choose **Insert Filters** from the **Graph** menu, under the Video Capture Sources category. The VidCap sample is included so that you can view the source code for a video capture filter and see how to write capture filters.

Unlike ordinary DirectShow filters, special category filters, such as Video Capture Source filters, can work with more than one device.

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## Transform Filters

This article details sample transform filters (sometimes called *effects*). The sample transform filters include an audio effect, some video effects, some MPEG codecs, a VCR controller, and various "null" (pass-through) filters.

### Contents of this article:

- [Contrast Sample \(Video Contrast Filter\)](#)
- [EzRGB24 Sample \(Image Effect Filter\)](#)
- [Gargle Sample \(Gargle Filter\)](#)
- [Inftee Sample \(Infinite-Pin Tee Filter\)](#)
- [MPGAudio Sample \(MPEG Audio Decoder Filter\)](#)
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- [Nullip Sample \(Null In Place Filter\)](#)
- [Nullnull Sample \(Minimal Null Filter\)](#)
- [Vcrctrl Sample \(VCR Control Filter\)](#)

### Contrast Sample (Video Contrast Filter)

The video contrast sample filter, Contrast, illustrates how to define and implement a simple custom interface within the structure provided by the DirectShow™ base classes. This filter demonstrates how to use the [CTransformFilter](#) class to implement a simple effect filter.

The Contrast filter also provides a good example of the flexibility of the filter graph

architecture. This flexibility is demonstrated when the filter is used in conjunction with a tee filter to produce "before and after" (side-by-side original and modified) video streams.

The Contrast filter is a simple transform filter that adjusts the contrast of the video stream that is passed through it. It provides a custom interface for adjusting the contrast. The Contrast filter also uses the [CBasePropertyPage](#) class to provide a property page for applications that do not provide a user interface.

**Note** The Contrast filter adjusts the contrast by using a trick with palettes. The color palette of an image effectively determines how the image is interpreted. By changing the palette, the filter can change the contrast without changing the image pixels themselves.

This filter is installed with the DirectShow run time and is available through the Filter Graph Editor when you choose **Insert Filters** from the **Graph** menu, and select the DirectShow Filters category.

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#### **EzRGB24 Sample (Image Effect Filter)**

The RGB 24 image effect filter, *EzRGB24*, is a sample of an image processing filter. This shows usage of a number of DirectShow classes and interfaces, including [CTransformFilter](#), [CPersistStream](#), [CBasePropertyPage](#), and [ISpecifyPropertyPages](#).

This filter's purpose is to provide fast and single stream effects. The *EzRGB24* filter also shows how to add image processing effects using DirectShow. You can use this filter as a component of an DirectShow video editor. Effects with fast execution were selected to help demonstrate the power of DirectShow in enabling real-time effects — the idea was to show something that could not have been built by using Microsoft Video for Windows®.

This filter performs a number of individual video effects. These include red, green, blue, darken, XOR, blur, gray, and emboss image-processing effects.

This filter is installed with the DirectShow run time and is available through the Filter Graph Editor when you choose **Insert Filters** from the **Graph** menu, and select the DirectShow Filters category.

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#### **Gargle Sample (Gargle Filter)**

The audio processing filter, *Gargle*, illustrates how to create a simple sound effect. More sophisticated effects such as echo, flanging, band-pass filtering, and other effects can be created in a way similar to that demonstrated by the *Gargle* filter. This sample demonstrates the [CTransInPlaceFilter](#), [CPersistStream](#), and [CBasePropertyPage](#) classes. It also shows use of the [ASSERT](#), [DbgBreak](#), [DbgLog](#), and [DbgBreakPoint](#) debug macros.

The *Gargle* filter modulates the waveform passing through it by multiplying the waveform by another waveform that is mathematically generated within the filter. The modulating waveform is, by default, a triangular wave. The property sheet also offers the alternative of a square wave. You can set the frequency of the modulating wave through the filter's property sheet. At low frequencies (near 1 Hz), the sound grows and diminishes. At medium frequencies (5 to 15 Hz), the sound has a tremolo quality, which is why it is referred to as gargling. At higher

frequencies (100 Hz and up), the filter generates extra frequencies in the original sound. If a 500 hertz (Hz) sound is played at 100 Hz, then it produces additional frequencies of 400 Hz, 600 Hz, 200 Hz, 800 Hz, and so on.

This filter is installed with the DirectShow run time and is available through the Filter Graph Editor when you choose **Insert Filters** from the **Graph** menu, and select the DirectShow Filters category.

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## Inftee Sample (Infinite-Pin Tee Filter)

The Inftee sample infinite-pin tee filter has multiple output pins and passes through type enumerators from source filters. The filter uses the [CAutoLock](#), [CBaseFilter](#), [CBaseInputPin](#), [CBaseOutputPin](#), [CCritSec](#), and [COutputQueue](#) base classes.

Inftee has one input pin and a variable number of output pins, typically two. It accepts data samples through the [IMemInputPin](#) transport, which it implements. All data samples sent to the filter are delivered down all paths simultaneously, therefore *teeing* the input into multiple separate output streams. The data samples are not type-specific, so the input, for example, can be text lyrics, video images, or audio buffers.

When considering two output pins, the tee filter sends the same data down both of the pins; therefore, the pins must have negotiated the same media type during connection. The infinite-pin tee filter handles this negotiation so that the input pin and both output pins converge when using the same media type. If a suitable media type cannot be found, then the connection is rejected.

The filter always uses the suggested allocator; the filter that provides the data suggests the allocator. The data arriving at the input pin is not copied before it is sent to the output pins. The filter also ensures that the data is delivered to the downstream filters, to guarantee that both outputs receive timely service. In particular, if one of the outputs can block in the [COutputQueue::Receive](#) member function, then the tee spins off a thread to deliver the sample. If there were no thread to deliver the sample, then the thread that delivers the sample to the tee input pin might pass the data to a downstream filter; at that point, it might block, keeping data from the other downstream filter for long periods of time.

This filter is installed with the DirectShow run time and is available through the Filter Graph Editor when you choose **Insert Filters** from the **Graph** menu, and select the DirectShow Filters category.

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### **MPGAudio Sample (MPEG Audio Decoder Filter)**

The sample MPEG audio codec, MPGAudio, provides a prototype for an MPEG audio decoder. It uses the [CTransformFilter](#) class.

As supplied, this framework just consumes the passed-in audio frames. That is, audio frames do not produce any output from this framework. You would need to expand the framework with code specific to the outputs desired.

This filter is installed with the DirectShow run time and is available through the Filter Graph Editor when you choose **Insert Filters** from the **Graph** menu, and select the DirectShow Filters category.

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### **MPGVideo Sample (MPEG Video Decoder Filter)**

The sample MPEG video codec, MPGVideo, provides a prototype for an MPEG video decoder. It uses the [CTransformFilter](#) class. The MPGVideo filter also shows the processing of quality-management messages.

As supplied, this framework just consumes the passed-in video frames. That is, video frames do not produce any output from this framework. You would need to expand the framework with code specific to the outputs desired.

This filter is installed with the DirectShow run time and is available through the Filter Graph Editor when you choose **Insert Filters** from the **Graph** menu, and select the DirectShow Filters category.

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### **Nullip Sample (Null In Place Filter)**

The null in-place sample filter, Nullip, is an example of a transform-inplace filter. It illustrates how a transform filter can behave in a relatively transparent manner. Nullip is a simple filter that passes all data from its input pin to its output pin. No transformations are performed on the data.

The Nullip filter provides an example of using the [CTransInPlaceInputPin](#) class. It shows how to use the [CAutoLock](#) class to automatically release critical sections. Other classes used include [CTransInPlaceFilter](#), [CBasePropertyPage](#), [CMediaType](#), and [CTransInPlaceOutputPin](#). It also enables a user to select the media types that it can pass through itself. This filter has one input pin, one output pin, and performs its transform in place (without copying the data) in the push thread. In other words, the [CTransInPlaceFilter::Receive](#) method is called with a buffer, which it transforms and delivers to the next filter downstream. The [Receive](#) method is then blocked until that filter returns; it subsequently returns to its own calling member function.

This filter is installed with the DirectShow run time and is available through the Filter Graph Editor when you choose **Insert Filters** from the **Graph** menu, and select the DirectShow Filters category.

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## Nullnull Sample (Minimal Null Filter)

The minimal null sample filter, Nullnull, illustrates a minimal filter. It does not support the media type selection that [Nullip](#) does. The Nullnull filter uses the [CTransInPlaceFilter](#) class.

This filter is installed with the DirectShow run time and is available through the Filter Graph Editor when you choose **Insert Filters** from the **Graph** menu, and select the DirectShow Filters category.

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## Vcrctrl Sample (VCR Control Filter)

The VCR control sample filter, Vcrctrl, is a simple implementation of the external device control interfaces that DirectShow provides. Vcrctrl provides basic transport control and SMPTE timecode-reading capabilities for certain Betacam and SVHS videocassette recorders with RS-422 or RS-232 serial interfaces (see source code for specific machine types supported).

This sample is not intended to be a frame-accurate, system-ready implementation ready for professional applications. It is designed to show basic device control filter structure, and therefore does not implement several of the more sophisticated features of the interfaces, such as edit event control. Frame-accurate control is best achieved by writing a low-level, kernel-mode communications driver underneath the filter. Developers should refer to the Driver Development Kit (DDK) for the appropriate platform.

## Using the Sample

With this sample, you can control a VCR through property pages. You should keep in mind the following:

- The sample automatically links the transport to the graph's Run, Pause, and Stop methods. You can unlink the transport on the General property page by removing the selection from the Link to Graph check box. This is a persistent property, so if you save the graph the transport will remain unlinked.
- The filter automatically detects the presence of a compatible VCR on COM2. If it can't find a VCR or if the port is in use, it switches to simulation mode. You can select the port to use on the General property page.
- The timecode pin can connect either to the text renderer or the timecode renderer (Tcrender.ax), which accepts the media type MEDIATYPE\_AuxData/MEDIASUBTYPE\_Timecode.
- The main property page shows the available video and audio inputs, although you can't select them. The hardware does not support this feature, and it was implemented to show physical pin property enumeration.
- The device communications class (CDevCom, specified in Cdevcom.h and Cdevcom.cpp) is thread-safe and handles SMPTE timecodes. On some VCRs, timecode detection is not supported, so timecode values might not be accurate.

This sample contains the following files:

- Vcrutil.h, .cpp — implementation of the device control interfaces
- Fvcrctrl.h, .cpp — the filter implementation
- Cdevcom.h, .cpp — the communications object that handles device-specific protocols and

the serial port interface

- Ctimecod.h, .cpp — the SMPTE timecode support
- Trprop.h, .cpp — the transport properties
- Vcrprop.h, .cpp — the general properties
- Vcrprop.rc — the dialog resources
- Vcrctrl.def — the module definition file
- Vcruids.h — the CLSIDs used by the filter

This filter is installed with the DirectShow run time and is available through the Filter Graph Editor when you choose **Insert Filters** from the **Graph** menu, and select the DirectShow Filters category.

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## Renderer Filters

This article describes sample renderer filters. The filters render video output, audio output, text output, and raw file output.

### Contents of this article:

- [Dump Sample \(Dump Filter\)](#)
- [SampVid Sample \(Video Renderer Filter\)](#)
- [Scope Sample \(Oscilloscope Filter\)](#)
- [TextOut Sample \(Text Display Filter\)](#)

### Dump Sample (Dump Filter)

The sample file dump filter, Dump, illustrates the use of the base filter class [CBaseFilter](#) and the rendered input pin class [CRenderedInputPin](#). This sample also uses the [IFileSinkFilter](#) interface. The Dump filter demonstrates how to override the [Receive](#) method of the rendered input pin class to process actual media samples. The filter is also a "renderer" of its input stream. (That is, this filter doesn't fit the traditional definition of rendering audibly or visibly, although it is a "renderer filter.") The Dump filter delivers the [EC\\_COMPLETE](#) notification to the filter graph when it receives a call to [CDumpInputPin::EndOfStream](#) on its input pin.

This filter is a useful debugging tool. For example, you can verify, bit by bit, the results of a transform filter. You can build a graph manually by using the Filter Graph Editor, and connect the Dump filter to the output of a transform filter or any other output pin. You can also connect a tee filter and put the Dump filter on one leg of the tee filter and the typical output on another leg to monitor the results in a real-time scenario.



The Dump filter has a single input pin, which is dumped to a file. The filter prompts the user for a file name when it is instantiated and closes the file when it is freed.

This filter is installed with the DirectShow run time and is available through the Filter Graph Editor when you choose **Insert Filters** from the **Graph** menu, and select the DirectShow Filters category.

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### **SampVid Sample (Video Renderer Filter)**

The sample video renderer filter, SampVid, displays video inside a window. SampVid demonstrates the implementation of a special memory allocator, the CImageAllocator class, which uses buffers based on the Microsoft Win32® DIBSECTION structure. This sample shows use of the CBaseVideoRenderer class, which handles all the seeking, synchronization and quality management necessary for video renderers. Other base classes used include, among others:

- CBaseControlVideo
- CBaseControlWindow
- CDrawImage
- CImageAllocator
- CImageDisplay
- CImagePalette
- CMediaType

This sample also shows the use of the property page interface IQualProp, which addresses quality management.

This filter is installed with the DirectShow run time and is available through the Filter Graph Editor when you choose **Insert Filters** from the **Graph** menu, and select the DirectShow Filters category.

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### **Scope Sample (Oscilloscope Filter)**

The oscilloscope sample filter, Scope, illustrates the use of the base filter class CBaseFilter and the base input pin class CBaseInputPin.

Other than the video renderer sample, Scope is the only sample filter that has a constantly active window.

**Note** The Scope window is implemented as a dialog box, not as an actual window.

Developers creating control panels to alter filter parameters in real time might want to use a technique like this rather than property pages.

The Scope filter demonstrates setting up a separate thread to process data. In this case, the data is just copied to a separate buffer on the IMemInputPin::Receive method, and is then drawn on the Scope window on the separate thread.

The filter demonstrates how to apply DirectShow™ outside the rather narrow domain of multimedia playback. DirectShow has wide application in the diverse areas of:

- Process control
- Factory automation
- Image processing and analysis
- Virtual lab instrumentation

All of these areas have semi real-time requirements, but additionally emphasize user interaction and the display of gauges, monitors, signal generators, alarms, and other forms of graphical display of analyzed results.

The Scope filter also enables you to monitor audio output to determine if you are clipping, so you can adjust the gain.

This filter is installed with the DirectShow run time and is available through the Filter Graph Editor when you choose **Insert Filters** from the **Graph** menu, and select the DirectShow Filters category.

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#### **TextOut Sample (Text Display Filter)**

The sample text renderer filter, TextOut, serves as an example of a renderer filter that is for a user-defined type. It can render text data found in an AVI file or other source. The TextOut filter demonstrates the use of the [CBaseRenderer](#) class, which handles all the synchronization and seeking although it doesn't have any quality management implementation. To get quality management, derive your classes from [CBaseVideoRenderer](#) instead. This sample also uses the [CBaseWindow](#) class.

This renderer creates and uses a simple window to display each piece of text it receives.

This filter is installed with the DirectShow run time and is available through the Filter Graph Editor when you choose **Insert Filters** from the **Graph** menu, and select the DirectShow Filters category.

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## **Cutlist Sample Applications**

This article describes the cutlist sample applications included with the DirectShow SDK.

**Contents of this article:**

- [CLText Sample \(Text Cutlist Application\)](#)
- [Simplecl Sample \(Cutlist Application\)](#)

**CLText Sample (Text Cutlist Application)**

The text cutlist (CLText) sample reads a list of up to 150 cutlist elements (video or audio clips) from a text file and plays them.

This sample demonstrates how to use the [ICutListGraphBuilder](#), [IStandardCutList](#), and [IFileClip](#) interfaces.

[Sample Locations](#)**Simplecl Sample (Cutlist Application)**

The simple cutlist (Simplecl) sample demonstrates how to use cutlists. Simplecl provides a File Open dialog box from which the user can choose a file to add to a cutlist. For each file, the user specifies a starting position and ending position for the clip. For every AVI file specified, the sample tries to add the first video stream and the first audio stream to its respective cutlist. The user must add at least two files, and then can run the filter graph and see the clips played sequentially.

This sample demonstrates how to use the [ICutListGraphBuilder](#), [IStandardCutList](#), and [IFileClip](#) interfaces.

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## C/C++-based Sample Applications

This article details sample applications that are written in C++ or C. The sample applications implement media players or perform other application-related functions. The differences between them are mainly the different programming languages, API, or frameworks used.

Some of these samples use the Microsoft® Foundation Classes (MFC).

**Contents of this article:**

- [AMCap Sample \(DirectShow Capture Application\)](#)
- [CPlay Sample \(C/COM-based Media Player Application\)](#)
- [Dvdsampl Sample \(DVD Player Application\)](#)
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- [VidClip Sample \(Video Editing Application\)](#)

### **AMCap Sample (DirectShow Capture Application)**

The DirectShow capture sample, AMCap, demonstrates the basics of capturing audio and video from a hardware source to a specified output file or to a preview window.

To see a list of the hardware capture devices on your system, choose the **Devices** menu; DirectShow uses the [ICreateDevEnum](#) interface to create the list of devices that appears. After choosing a device, choose the **Set Frame Rate** command from the **Capture** menu and set the desired frame rate; the default value is 30 frames per second. To set an output file for your capture, pick the **Set Capture File** command from the **File** menu. DirectShow uses the [File Writer](#) filter to associate your specified file with the capture session.

If you want to turn audio capturing on or off, choose the **Capture Audio** command from the **Capture** menu. To turn capture previewing on or off, choose the **Preview** command from the **Options** menu. When you are ready to begin capturing, choose the **Start Capture** command from the **Capture** menu. If you want to save your captured data to a file other than the specified output file, choose the **Save Captured Video As** command from the **File** menu.

**Note:** Before you begin capturing for the first time, choose **Allocate File Space** from the **File** menu to preallocate the capture file. Preallocating the file improves capture performance. AMCap calls [AllocCapFile](#) to preallocate the capture file.

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### **CPlay Sample (C/COM-based Media Player Application)**

This C/COM-based media player sample, CPlay, is a simple application that renders multimedia files using DirectShow™ from within the C language. The CPlay sample does not use Microsoft Foundation Classes (MFC). If you want to see a sample that uses MFC, see [MFCPlay Sample \(C++/COM-based Media Player Application\)](#). The CPlay sample shows how to utilize the DirectShow components without using the base classes provided with DirectShow. The sample creates a filter graph (by calling [CoCreateInstance](#) to get a pointer to the [IGraphBuilder](#) interface), and requests the filter graph to render a file. The filter graph is then controlled by using the [IMediaControl](#) interface. This sample also uses the [IMediaEvent](#) and [IMediaPosition](#) interfaces.

CPlay is a minimal application that implements the following menu commands: **Open**, **Play**, **Pause**, **Stop**, and **Exit** on the **File** menu, and **About** on the **Help** menu.

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### **Dvdsampl Sample (DVD Player Application)**

The DirectShow DVD sample player, Dvdsampl, is a simple application that plays DVD Video content. It uses the [IDvdGraphBuilder](#) interface to build a DVD filter graph and to obtain interface pointers for [IAMLine21Decoder](#), [IDvdControl](#), and [IDvdInfo](#). It uses those interfaces

and enables you to turn closed captioning on and off, play in full screen mode, and display and select from DVD menus.

**Note:** Your system must include DVD playback hardware to run this sample.

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#### **InWindow Sample (Window Playback Application)**

The InWindow application is a simple sample that shows minimal code required to play back a media file into a specific window. It builds on the [PlayFile sample](#). Like PlayFile, it provides a file Open dialog box that enables you to open media files. It also uses [IGraphBuilder](#), [IMediaEventEx](#), and [IMediaControl](#) as PlayFile does. InWindow expands on the PlayFile functionality by calling [IVideoWindow::put\\_Owner](#), [IVideoWindow::put\\_WindowStyle](#), and [IVideoWindow::SetWindowPosition](#) to direct playback into the main application window.

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#### **IPlay Sample (Indeo Player Application)**

The Intel® Indeo player sample, IPlay, uses DirectShow to render multimedia files and demonstrates the Indeo Video Interactive application programming interfaces (API). IPlay demonstrates how to access the advanced features of the Indeo Video Interactive (IVI) codec. It is a simple application written in C++ using Microsoft Foundation Classes (MFC). If the file is an IVI format file, it enables controls for the IVI advanced features. The advanced features include local decoding, a decoding time limit, and the ability to adjust brightness, saturation, and contrast.

The Ax\_spec.h file defines the interfaces of the IVI codec. The CIPlayDoc::OnOpenDocument function demonstrates how to determine if a file is an IVI format file. The CIPlayDoc::Getxxx and CIPlayDoc::Setxxx functions demonstrate how to get and set the IVI playback parameters for the advanced features.

This sample uses the following interfaces:

- [IGraphBuilder](#) — to create a filter graph and render a file
- [IFilterGraph](#) — to enumerate the filters in the filter graph
- [IMediaControl](#) — to play/pause/stop the playback
- [IMediaEvent](#) — to be notified of [EC\\_COMPLETE](#) (playback complete) and other events
- [IMediaPosition](#) — to set the time that the media stream begins
- [IVideoWindow](#) — to set the window size/caption/position
- [IBasicVideo](#) — to get the native window size.

IPlay also implements and uses the **IIndeoDecode** interface (not part of DirectShow).

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#### **MFCPlay Sample (C++/COM-based Media Player Application)**

The C++/COM-based media player sample, MFCPlay, is a simple application that renders multimedia files using DirectShow from within C++ and Microsoft Foundation Classes (MFC). It demonstrates how to connect the DirectShow components by using the interfaces provided

with DirectShow and MFC. The sample creates a filter graph (by calling [CoCreateInstance](#) to get a pointer to the [IGraphBuilder](#) interface), and requests the filter graph to render a file. The filter graph is then controlled by using the [IMediaControl](#) interface. This sample also uses the [IMediaEvent](#) and [IMediaPosition](#) interfaces.

The MFCPlay application implements the following menu commands: Open, Play, Pause, Stop, and Exit on the File menu, and About on the Help menu.

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#### **MPEGProp Sample (MPEG Property Page Display Application)**

The MPEGProp sample application demonstrates how to display a filter's property page.

When you open MPEGProp, choose Open from the File menu and select an MPEG media file from the standard Open dialog box. After you select an appropriate file, MPEGProp calls [CoCreateInstance](#) to create a new filter graph and renders the chosen source file. MPEGProp calls [IFilterGraph::FindFilterByName](#) to locate the [MPEG Video Codec](#) filter, and then calls [OleCreatePropertyFrame](#) with the codec pointer to display the filter's property page.

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#### **PlayFile Sample (Simple Playback Application)**

The PlayFile application is a simple sample that shows minimal code required to play back a media file. It provides a file Open dialog box that enables you to open files including file types such as AVI, MPEG, MOV, and QT. PlayFile uses the [IGraphBuilder::RenderFile](#) method to render the filter graph for the chosen media file, [IMediaEventEx](#) to handle signaling of events, [IMediaControl::Run](#) to play the resulting filter graph, and [IMediaControl::Stop](#) to stop playback. The sample calls [IVideoWindow](#) to control whether the playback window is visible. Video follows the default behavior and plays back in a separate window rather than in the main application window.

See [InWindow Sample \(Window Playback Application\)](#) for a sample that builds on PlayFile and plays back video into the main application window.

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#### **ShowStrm Sample (Multimedia Streaming Application)**

The ShowStrm application demonstrates how to use a Microsoft® DirectDraw® surface to blit a multimedia stream. It is a console application that sends a movie out to the surface when invoked from the command line with the following syntax:

```
SHOWSTRM Name_of_Movie
```

For example, to play Angry.avi, you could use the command:

```
C:\>SHOWSTRM angry.avi
```

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## VidClip Sample (Video Editing Application)

The VidClip application demonstrates how to use the multimedia streaming interfaces and how to support rudimentary video editing. The VidClip sample reads from multiple streams and writes to a single stream. For more information on the multimedia streaming interfaces, see [List of Multimedia Streaming Interfaces](#).

On the **Video** menu in the VidClip application, choose the **Add Clip** command to add clips to your list; you can include start and stop times, if you want to add only a portion of a clip. Choose the **Edit Clip** command to edit existing clips in the list, and the **Delete Clip** command to delete clips. The **Make a Movie** command combines the clips into one stream.

On the **File** menu, choose the **Settings** command to set the height, width, depth, and compression for the stream data. Choose the **Save** command to save the settings to a file in your project.

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## Visual Basic-based Sample Applications

This article describes the Microsoft® Visual Basic® version 5.0 samples in the Microsoft DirectShow™ Software Development Kit (SDK).

### Contents of this article:

- [Visual Basic-Based ActiveX Player](#)
- [Visual Basic-Based Filter Graph Builder](#)
- [Visual Basic-Based Filter Graph Player](#)
- [Visual Basic-Based Player](#)

### Visual Basic-Based ActiveX Player

This ActiveX sample, Ocxbv01, demonstrates an application that uses the ActiveMovie Control. It has a form that contains menus and controls to demonstrate the access of various properties of the video control. See [Using the ActiveMovie Control in Visual Basic](#) for a detailed description of this sample.

The sample has a menu command that enables you to create the control by opening a video file, and to use Run, Pause, and Stop commands to programmatically control the ActiveMovie Control. All of the ActiveMovie Control Panel features, such as selection controls, position controls, and the trackbar control, can be made visible selectively, and enabled or disabled

from menu commands in the sample application. Other properties, such as the rate and current position, can also be changed from the application, and you can set the image in the video control to various sizes such as half, default, double, and full-screen.

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#### **Visual Basic-Based Filter Graph Builder**

The filter graph builder sample, Builder, demonstrates how a Visual Basic-based application uses the collection interfaces that the filter graph manager exposes to build and connect a custom filter graph. The collection interfaces are composed of the following interfaces.

- [IAMCollection](#)
- [IRegFilterInfo](#)
- [IFilterInfo](#)
- [IPinInfo](#)
- [IMediaTypeInfo](#)

These interfaces appear as objects in the ActiveMovie Control type library in the Visual Basic development environment and enable the registry to be searched, filters to be added, and pins to be connected, among other things. See [Constructing Filter Graphs Using Visual Basic](#) for a detailed description of this sample.

The Builder sample presents a form that enables the user to see a list of filters in the registry and add filters to the filter graph. It also enables the user to examine the names and properties of pins on the filter, the media types on the pins, and to connect the pins. The sample has an additional sample routine, accessed by a menu, that automatically builds a filter graph. The filter graph is built using the collection interface objects, to better demonstrate the more typical use of these objects in a Visual Basic-based application. The sample also enables you run the constructed filter graph.

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#### **Visual Basic-Based Filter Graph Player**

The filter graph player, VBDemo, demonstrates how to use the DirectShow Visual Basic objects that control the playback of video and that adjust properties of various components. See [Controlling Filter Graphs Using Visual Basic](#) for a detailed description of this sample.

The VBDemo sample enables you to open a video file. Use the Play, Pause, and Stop buttons to control the video. It positions the video window as a child window of the main form and displays the movie's length and elapsed time. It also enables you to set the start position and rate. Use two sliders to adjust the audio renderer's volume and balance.

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#### **Visual Basic-Based Player**

The sample player, Player, is a short Visual Basic-based program that demonstrates the minimum requirements for playing back a DirectShow media file without using the ActiveMovie Control. It uses the same DirectShow object library as the [VBDemo sample](#), but provides only three buttons (Open, Play, and Stop) and a slider for indicating position.



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# PID Sample (Plug-In Distributor Application)

The IAMovie sample shows the implementation of the [IAMovie](#) interface for a plug-in distributor (PID). A PID is used to extend the filter graph manager. The filter graph manager distributes the actions of interface methods to the appropriate filters. This distribution enables applications to have a single point of control to perform the basic operations.

In the IAMovie sample, the PID exposes the [IAMovie](#) interface and implements it by calling the enumerator of the filter graph manager, finding which filters expose the interface (see [EnumFiltersByInterface](#)), and communicating directly with those filters. PIDs are supplied for the standard control interfaces. Independent software vendors (ISVs) can replace these supplied PIDs and add others.

See [Plug-in Distributors](#) for information on plug-in distributors.

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### **SampIOS Sample (IOStream Helper Library)**

The IOStream helper library provides text output of the [IBaseFilter](#) interface and other DirectShow™ objects. This sample code is provided as a header file (SampIOS.h) and a source file (SampIOS.cpp) that can be built into a library (SampIOS.lib). You can use the library functions in your DirectShow filters and applications. The functions are designed to help retrieve information in text format about the objects in the filter graph. The text output is intended to aid in debugging.

SampIOS.h declares debug output functions that you can call from C. For example, DumpFilterInfo sends information on the given filter interface. See the header file (SampIOS.h) for the syntax of each call. The DumpXxx functions require the `cout` output stream to be valid in the environment in which you are working, as they implicitly output to `cout`. The DumpXxx functions are included in the following list.

- DumpFilterInfo
- DumpPinInfo
- DumpAllPins
- DumpAllFilters
- DumpFilterGraph

Extensions to the C++ IOStream library are included, so you can write code like the following

to dump information to `cout`.

```
cout << piFilterGraph << endl;
```

The C++ callable functions declared by `SampIOS.h` include the following abilities to provide output to an ostream. (The standard C++ ostream class provides the basic capability for sequential and random-access output.) See the header file (`SampIOS.h`) for the syntax of each call.

- Provide output of a wide string.
- Build and provide output of a textual version of a [GUID](#).
- Provide output of filter information.
- Provide output of filter information for all filters left in an enumerator.
- Provide output of filter and connection details.
- Provide output of pin details (including connection information).
- Provide output of pin details (including connection information) for all pins left in the enumerator.
- Provide output of the pin information for all pins on the supplied filter.

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## Build Information

To use some of the filters and applications supplied as DirectShow samples, you need to build them into executable or DLL (.ax) files. To build, you need various tools. And after you build a filter, you need to register it with a unique identifier to make it appear in the Filter Graph Editor. This section contains the following topics:

- [Tools for Building the Samples](#)
- [Building the Samples](#)
- [Setting Up the Registry](#)

### Tools for Building the Samples

The tools you need to build the filters and applications supplied as DirectShow samples are included in the following list. This list contains both required and optional tools.

- Microsoft® DirectShow™ Software Development Kit (required).
- ANSI-compatible C/C++ compiler, such as Microsoft Visual C++® version 5.x or later (required).

- Microsoft Win32® headers and libraries (required).
- Microsoft NMAKE (supplied with Visual C++), if you want to use the supplied makefiles (optional).
- Microsoft Foundation Classes (MFC), if you want to build the two sample applications that use MFC (optional).

## Building the Samples

All samples in the SDK have been provided with a makefile that is compatible with NMAKE. In some cases, a Visual C++ project makefile is also included.

To build the samples using the standard makefiles, you must first set up your build tools (for example, Microsoft Visual C++), the Win32 headers and libraries, and the DirectShow SDK. The DirectShow SDK makefiles expect to locate the standard Windows® and Win32 include files and libraries on the INCLUDE and LIB paths. The makefiles handle all DirectShow-specific files on a project-by-project basis.

The makefiles provided for each individual sample use ActiveX.mak, which is provided with the DirectShow SDK. If you are using ActiveX.mak to build for any machine, other than the default x86, you must set the CPU environment variable to indicate which kind of machine. The allowable values for the CPU are i386, ALPHA, and PPC.

**Performance Note** If you copy any sample makefile to create a new dynamic-link library (DLL) (including filters and PIDs) make sure that you change the base address to avoid collisions with other DLLs. A collision of DLL load address results in one of the DLLs having to be relocated during load time, thereby increasing the duration of load time. In the sample makefiles, the base address is set in DLL\_BASE, which is used in ActiveX.mak. Do not let ActiveX.mak use the default value for DLL\_BASE, as this will almost certainly cause collisions.

A makefile that builds all the samples is provided in the Samples directory.

## Setting Up the Registry

The source directory for each sample contains a registry file (.reg). Sample filters are registered by default. You can re-register all filters in the sample by opening this file. The samples also use the preferred self-registration capabilities provided by the [IAMovieSetup](#) interface. See [Register DirectShow Objects](#) for more information.

**Caution:** If you modify a registry file and then use it to update your registry, you will affect the sample filter that is already installed on your system. For example, if you modify Ball.reg, you might lose access to the [Ball filter \(Ball.ax\)](#) in the Filter Graph Editor.

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# Multimedia Streaming

This section describes the multimedia streaming interfaces, which automatically negotiate the transfer and conversion of data from a source to an application. It includes reference entries for the multimedia streaming data types, interfaces, and interface methods. It also includes sample code and a description of multimedia streaming component objects along with their CLSIDs and the interfaces they support.

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## About the Multimedia Streaming Architecture

This article describes the architecture of multimedia streaming and how software developers typically use streams in their tools and applications. It also covers the advantages of streaming as a base for data transfer and how to address multimedia programming issues, such as data transfer, performance optimization, and time stamping in streaming applications. Programmers who want to use multimedia streaming should be familiar with COM programming concepts.

### Contents of this article:

- [Advantages of Multimedia Streaming](#)
- [Object Hierarchy](#)
- [Creating Multimedia Stream Objects and Stream Samples](#)
- [Using Multimedia Streams in Applications](#)
- [Sharing Data Between Streams](#)

### Advantages of Multimedia Streaming

When developers use multimedia streaming in their applications, it greatly reduces the amount

of format-specific programming needed. Typically, an application that must obtain media data from a file or hardware source must know everything about the data format and the hardware device. The application must handle the connection, transfer of data, any necessary data conversion, and the actual data rendering or file storage. Because each format and device is slightly different, this process is often complex and cumbersome. Multimedia streaming, on the other hand, automatically negotiates the transfer and conversion of data from the source to the application. The streaming interfaces provide a uniform and predictable method of data access and control, which makes it easy for an application to play back the data, regardless of its original source or format.

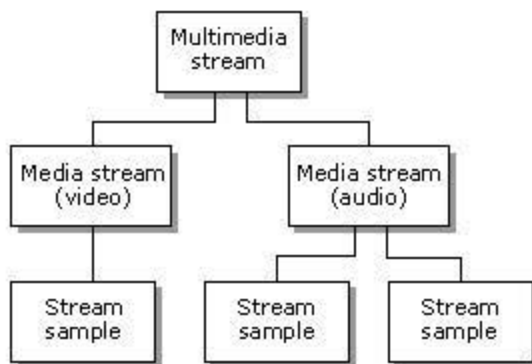
The following steps show how to implement streaming, from hardware device to rendered playback.

1. A source of video data, such as Microsoft® DirectShow™, exposes the streaming interfaces.
2. The application developer uses the multimedia streaming interfaces to handle data format conversion.
3. The application developer uses the Microsoft DirectDraw® interfaces to render the resulting data.

The specification for multimedia streams comprises several interfaces; each interface includes methods that control a certain aspect of the streaming process or handle a certain type of data. See [List of Multimedia Streaming Interfaces](#) for additional information.

### Object Hierarchy

The following diagram shows the basic object hierarchy used in multimedia streaming.



There are three basic object types defined in the multimedia streaming architecture:

1. A multimedia stream, which supports the [IMultiMediaStream](#) interface.
2. Media streams support the [IMediaStream](#) interface and are data specific. Every multimedia stream contains one or more of these media streams.
3. Stream samples support the [ISampleStream](#) interface and are created by a media stream. These objects represent a basic unit of work for the stream.

### Creating Multimedia Stream Objects and Stream Samples

Objects that support the [IMultiMediaStream](#) interface are the basic containers for multimedia data streams. The **IMultiMediaStream** interface includes methods that enumerate the object's data streams; these streams are typically video and audio data, but can include data of any format, such as closed-captioning, plain text, or SMPTE timecode. The

**IMultiMediaStream** interface is a generic container, however; developers can create other versions of the interface that support specific data formats. Objects that implement the [IAMultiMediaStream](#) interface, for example, can enumerate and control streams of any DirectShow data format. Because individual data streams are format specific, they support at least two different interfaces: one generic and one data-specific. Every stream supports the [IMediaStream](#) interface, which provides methods to retrieve its format and a pointer to the stream itself. The [IDirectDrawMediaStream](#) interface, on the other hand, has methods that deal specifically with rendering video data. Any interface derived from **IMultiMediaStream** also supports the creation of stream samples, the basic units of streaming data.

A multimedia sample is a reference to an object containing the media data. For a video image, this is a DirectDraw surface. The sample's exact content varies, depending on the type of media (sound, text, and so on). Because a sample is only a reference to the data object, any number of stream samples can refer to the same object. The [IStreamSample](#) interface provides methods that get and set a sample's characteristics, such as its start and stop time, status, and stream association. The [IStreamSample::Update](#) method refreshes the sample's data in the case of readable streams. For writable streams, it will write the sample's data to the stream. Typically, you use the [Update](#) method in a loop that renders, transfers, or stores streaming data. See [Use Multimedia Streaming in DirectShow Applications](#) for a practical example of this method in source code.

## Using Multimedia Streams in Applications

The multimedia streaming interfaces greatly simplify the process of manipulating multimedia data by removing the dependency on specific characteristics of the hardware or software source and providing support for all Microsoft DirectX® media formats. Streams abstract the data to a very high level; applications can even move data from one stream to another without knowing anything about the data's format.

Perform the following steps to create a multimedia stream:

1. Create the multimedia stream. The method of creation and initialization of the stream is architecture specific. DirectShow supports the [IAMultiMediaStream](#) interface, which is used to initialize the stream. Other in-process server implementations of [IMultiMediaStream](#) will be created and initialized using different mechanisms.
2. After the multimedia stream object is initialized, the application will use [QueryInterface](#) to retrieve the [IMultiMediaStream](#) interface for the object. Use this interface to determine the stream's properties and enumerate the streams themselves. You can retrieve a specific stream by calling the [IMultiMediaStream::GetMediaStream](#) method with a specific purpose ID. MSPID\_PrimaryVideo and MSPID\_PrimaryAudio, which represent the primary video and audio streams, are the most commonly used purpose IDs.
3. Call [IUnknown::QueryInterface](#) for an interface specific to the stream's media type. If you want to render a video stream, for example, retrieve its [IDirectDrawMediaStream](#) interface. Media-specific interfaces define additional methods necessary for taking full advantage of a format's capabilities.
4. Create one or more samples from the stream data. Every media stream supports the [IMediaStream::CreateSharedSample](#) method for sample creation. The resulting sample supports the [IStreamSample](#) interface, which provides control over the sample and its characteristics. Typically, the media stream supports a format-specific method of sample creation that is more powerful than the aforementioned **IStreamSample** methods. [IDirectDrawMediaStream](#), for example, can create samples attached to a desired DirectDraw surface and clipping rectangle. In some situations, however, you must handle data without knowing about its data format, such as when constructing a [cutlist](#). If you want to stream data independent of its format, use the **IMediaStream::CreateSharedSample** method to create the data samples.

5. After creating all desired stream samples, start the stream by calling the [IMultiMediaStream::SetState](#) method and pass in the `STREAMSTATE_RUN` flag as its parameter.
6. Call [IStreamSample::Update](#) to update the stream sample. When the **[IStreamSample::Update](#)** method exits, you can access the sample's data. The code sample in [Use Multimedia Streaming in DirectShow Applications](#) uses the **[IStreamSample::Update](#)** method in a loop to render a stream of video data. If you want a trigger a specific event or function call when the update returns, pass the appropriate pointers to the **[IStreamSample::Update](#)** method.

For more information on the multimedia streaming interfaces, see .

## Sharing Data Between Streams

Processing multimedia data typically requires a great deal of system resources; therefore, you should avoid copying data whenever possible. The streaming architecture supports shared stream samples, a mechanism that moves data from one stream to another without copying it. This buffer enables the efficient transportation of data between two streams even if the destination stream doesn't specifically support the underlying data format.

For example, assume that you have a multimedia stream with three data streams: video and audio, and URL data time-stamped to match the video content. You want to write an application that adds a copyright notice on every video frame and writes the data to another stream for storage, but your application doesn't understand any data formats except the video stream. For the video stream, you create a sample attached to the desired `DirectDraw` surface. You can then create an output stream by calling either the [IDirectDrawMediaStream::CreateSample](#) method with that pointer to the same surface, or [IMediaStream::CreateSharedSample](#). In both cases, the input and output streams share the `DirectDraw` surface. Because you understand the video format, you can access this surface as needed.

To retrieve the other source stream pointers (audio and URL), enumerate the source container stream and grab pointers to the nonvideo streams. Each of these source streams has an associated output stream in the output stream container. Retrieve these output pointers by calling the [IMultiMediaStream::GetMediaStream](#) method on the output container with each of the source stream pointers. The following steps describe this process.

1. Call [IMultiMediaStream::EnumMediaStreams](#) to retrieve a pointer to a source stream. Make sure that it's not the video stream, because your application already understands its format.
2. Call [IMultiMediaStream::GetMediaStream](#) on the output container stream with the pointer from step 1. This returns a pointer to the desired output stream.
3. Call [AllocateSample](#) on the source stream.
4. Call [CreateSharedSample](#) on the output stream.
5. Call [Update](#) on the source stream to read the data.
6. Call [Update](#) on the output stream to write the data.

Repeat these steps for each stream whose format you don't support. When both samples finish updating, the output stream has all data from the source stream and you are done.

## List of Multimedia Streaming Interfaces

Multimedia streaming comprises a number of interfaces; this article provides a brief description of each interface. For additional information about multimedia streaming, see [About the Multimedia Streaming Architecture](#).

### Contents of this article:

- [Base Multimedia Streaming Interfaces](#)
- [DirectDraw Streaming Interfaces](#)
- [Audio Streaming Interfaces](#)
- [DirectShow Multimedia Streaming Interfaces](#)

### Base Multimedia Streaming Interfaces

The DirectX Media SDK includes reference documentation for the multimedia streaming interfaces; the interfaces and their methods provide a programmatic way of access multimedia streams. However using a base interface to access a specific type of data can limit the amount of control you have over the data, so media developers should create derived versions of these interfaces that provide more powerful control over the unique capabilities of their media type.

#### [IMultiMediaStream](#)

This interface defines how to access the highest-level multimedia stream object; this object contains and provides access to other stream objects. [IMultiMediaStream](#) has methods that enumerate or retrieve specific streams, as well as checking the stream's total time duration and seeking within the stream.

#### [IMediaStream](#)

This interface defines a generic stream object. Use its methods to retrieve a pointer to the stream, get information about the stream, and create samples from the stream data. You can also create shared stream samples, which multiple streams can access without duplicating the sample's data.

#### [IStreamSample](#)

This interface controls the behavior of a specific stream sample. You can retrieve the stream that created the sample, check the sample's start and end times and completion status, and perform a user-defined function on the sample itself (through the `Update` method). Typically, the **Update** method processes the sample data in an appropriate manner, such as rendering video data or playing back audio data.

### DirectDraw Streaming Interfaces

If you use Microsoft® DirectDraw-supported video formats in your streams, the following interfaces give you more powerful control over the data than the more generic base interfaces.

#### [IDirectDrawMediaStream](#)

This interface derives from [IMediaStream](#); it sets and retrieves the stream format and the DirectDraw® object associated with the media stream. You can also use this



interface to create video samples.

#### IDirectDrawStreamSample

This interface derives from the IStreamSample interface and enables you to attach video samples to DirectDraw surfaces. Each attached surface includes a clipping rectangle to make rendering easier.

### **Audio Streaming Interfaces**

#### IAudioMediaStream

The IAudioMediaStream interface controls audio media streams. This interface inherits from the IMediaStream interface and is used to create one or more IAudioStreamSample objects. It is also used to set and retrieve the current format of the stream data.

#### IAudioStreamSample

The IAudioStreamSample interface retrieves information from the underlying IAudioData data objects.

#### IMemoryData

The IMemoryData interface contains methods which set and retrieve memory data on audio data objects. Audio data objects provide the underlying data which stream samples access. This interface provides a way to initialize memory buffers and to set actual amounts of audio data in the objects. Additionally, the IMemoryData::GetInfo method can be used to retrieve audio memory data.

#### IAudioData

The IAudioData interface provides methods which allow applications to set and get the underlying audio data that audio streams will reference. The audio data format is set in the WAVEFORMATEX structure.

### **DirectShow Multimedia Streaming Interfaces**

The following interfaces expose Microsoft DirectShow™ functionality to multimedia stream developers. Application developers should implement only the IAMMultiMediaStream interface in their applications; DirectShow uses the other two interfaces internally.

#### IAMMultiMediaStream

This interface controls connections between streams and DirectShow filter graphs. It provides methods that instantiate filter graphs, open DirectShow-supported media files, and generate an appropriate filter graph for playback. The CLSID\_ActiveMovieMMStream class identifier supports this interface.

#### IAMMediaStream

This interface is a DirectShow-specific derivation of the IMediaStream interface. It handles the internal negotiation of connections between multimedia streams and DirectShow filter graphs. Application developers should not use or implement this interface.

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## **Multimedia Streaming Reference**

This section contains reference entries for all the multimedia streaming interfaces and their methods, including those that DirectShow supports. It also includes a list of multimedia streaming data types that the interfaces use, and a list of error and success codes that the methods return.

- [IMultiMediaStream Interface](#)
- [IMediaStream Interface](#)
- [IStreamSample Interface](#)
- [IDirectDrawMediaStream Interface](#)
- [IDirectDrawStreamSample Interface](#)
- [IAudioMediaStream Interface](#)
- [IAudioStreamSample Interface](#)
- [IMemoryData Interface](#)
- [IAudioData Interface](#)
- [IAMMultiMediaStream Interface](#)
- [IAMMediaStream Interface](#)
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## IMultiMediaStream Interface

The **IMultiMediaStream** interface provides methods that control a multimedia stream and provide access to its underlying media streams. A multimedia stream is the highest-level streaming object and can contain one or more media streams. While each media stream is media-type specific (audio, video, and so on), multimedia streams are generic across all types because they must provide access to a number of streams that can have different media types. **IMultiMediaStream** interface methods enable you to enumerate and retrieve pointers to the specific streams; [IMediaStream](#) interface methods provide specific control over the media

stream behavior.

For sample code which implements the multimedia streaming interfaces see [Multimedia Streaming Sample Code](#).

### When to Implement

Implement this interface when you want create containers for a specific type of media stream.

### When to Use

Use this interface when your application must enumerate and control a multimedia stream's underlying, type-specific streams.

### Methods in Vtable Order

#### IUnknown methods Description

[QueryInterface](#) Retrieves pointers to supported interfaces.

[AddRef](#) Increments the reference count.

[Release](#) Decrements the reference count.

#### IMultiMediaStream methods

#### Description

[GetInformation](#) Retrieves the capabilities and stream type of a multimedia stream.

[GetMediaStream](#) Retrieves a media stream that has the specified purpose ID.

[EnumMediaStreams](#) Retrieves a media stream from a multimedia stream by zero-based index.

[GetState](#) Retrieves the multimedia stream's current state.

[SetState](#) Sets the media stream to either a running or stopped state.

[GetTime](#) Retrieves the current time from the multimedia stream's clock, if it has a clock.

[GetDuration](#) Retrieves the media stream's duration.

[Seek](#) Sets the seek location of all derived media streams to the specified time.

[GetEndOfStreamEventHandle](#) Retrieves the handle for the event triggered when the stream completes playback.

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## IMultiMediaStream::EnumMediaStreams

[IMultiMediaStream Interface](#)

Retrieves a media stream from a multimedia stream by zero-based index.

```
HRESULT EnumMediaStreams(  

long Index,  

IMediaStream** ppMediaStream )
```

### Parameters

*Index*

[in] Index of the stream array to check.

*ppMediaStream*

[out] Address of a pointer to an [IMediaStream](#) interface object. On return, it contains a pointer to the stream at the specified index.

### Return Values

Returns one of the following values.

Value	Meaning
E_POINTER	The <i>ppMediaStream</i> pointer is invalid.
S_FALSE	<i>Index</i> is out of range; no streams are left to enumerate. When the method returns this value, it also sets <i>ppMediaStream</i> to NULL.
S_OK	Success.

### Remarks

You should call this method until it returns S\_FALSE, which indicates that the stream enumeration is complete.

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## IMultiMediaStream::GetDuration

[IMultiMediaStream Interface](#)

Returns the media stream's duration.

```
HRESULT GetDuration(  

STREAM_TIME *pDuration  

)
```

### Parameters

*pDuration*

[out] Pointer to a STREAM\_TIME value that will contain the media duration.

**Return Values**

Returns one of the following values.

<b>Value</b>	<b>Meaning</b>
E_POINTER	The value of <i>pDuration</i> is invalid.
MS_E_WITESTREAM	The media stream is writable and therefore has no duration.
S_FALSE	Stream contains live data or this method couldn't determine the duration. On return, this method sets <i>pDuration</i> to zero.
S_OK	Stream contains recorded media. On return, <i>pDuration</i> contains duration of media.

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## **IMultiMediaStream::GetEndOfStreamEventHandle**

### IMultiMediaStream Interface

Retrieves the handle for the event triggered when the stream completes playback.

```
HRESULT GetEndOfStreamEventHandle(
    HANDLE* phEOS
)
```

**Parameters***phEOS*

[out] Pointer to an event HANDLE returned by the current object when it completes playback. If no HANDLE is associated with the object, this value will be NULL.

**Return Values**

Returns S\_OK if successful or E\_POINTER if one or more of the required parameters are NULL.

**Remarks**

The Microsoft® Win32® [WaitForSingleObject](#) and [WaitForMultipleObjects](#) functions use the retrieved handle to watch for completion of playback.

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## IMultiMediaStream::GetInformation

### IMultiMediaStream Interface

Retrieves the capabilities of a media stream that matches the specified media type.

```
HRESULT GetInformation(
    DWORD *pdwFlags,
    STREAM_TYPE *pStreamType
);
```

### Parameters

#### *pdwFlags*

[out] Pointer to a value that will contain a combination of one or more of the following flags. Can be NULL.

Value	Meaning
MMSSF_ASYNCHRONOUS	The stream supports asynchronous sample updates. All implementations of <u>IMultiMediaStream</u> will support the asynchronous updates; this flag confirms it.
MMSSF_HASCLOCK	The stream has a clock.
MMSSF_SUPPORTSEEK	The stream supports seeking.

#### *pStreamType*

[out] Pointer to a STREAM\_TYPE enumeration type that will contain the media type information for the derived media streams. Can be NULL.

### Return Values

Returns S\_OK if successful.

### Remarks

A stream's capabilities include whether it has a clock, if it supports seeking, and whether it supports asynchronous updating.

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# IMultiMediaStream::GetMediaStream

## IMultiMediaStream Interface

Retrieves a media stream that has the specified purpose ID.

```
HRESULT GetMediaStream(  
    REFMSPID idPurpose,  
    IMediaStream **ppMediaStream  
);
```

### Parameters

*idPurpose*

Value that specifies the desired stream.

*ppMediaStream*

Address of a pointer to an IMediaStream interface that will point to the desired media stream.

### Return Values

Returns one of the following values.

Value	Meaning
E_POINTER	The <i>ppMediaStream</i> pointer is invalid.
MS_E_NOSTREAM	No stream has the specified purpose ID.
S_OK	Success.

### Remarks

If a stream exists that matches the purpose ID in *idPurpose*, the *ppMediaStream* parameter points to the stream and increments its reference count.

MSPID\_PrimaryVideo and MSPID\_PrimaryAudio, which represent the primary video and audio streams, are the most commonly used purpose IDs.

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## IMultiMediaStream::GetState

### IMultiMediaStream Interface

Retrieves the multimedia stream's current state.

```
HRESULT GetState(  
    STREAM_STATE* pCurrentState  
)
```

### Parameters

*pCurrentState*

[out] Pointer to the STREAM\_STATE enumerated type that will contain the current multimedia stream's state.

### Return Values

Returns S\_OK if successful or E\_POINTER if *pCurrentState* is invalid.

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## IMultiMediaStream::GetTime

### IMultiMediaStream Interface

Retrieves the current time from the multimedia stream's clock, if it has a clock.

```
HRESULT GetTime(  
    STREAM_TIME* pCurrentTime  
)
```

### Parameters

*pCurrentTime*

[out] Pointer to a STREAM\_TIME value that will contain the current time, if the media stream has a clock.

### Return Values

Returns one of the following values.

Value	Meaning
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E_POINTER	The <i>pCurrentTime</i> pointer is invalid.
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S_FALSE	Stream doesn't have a clock; <i>*pCurrentTime</i> is zero.
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S_OK	Stream has a clock and the method succeeded; <i>pCurrentTime</i> contains the current time.
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### Remarks



If the stream doesn't have a clock, this method sets *\*pCurrentTime* to zero and returns `S_FALSE`. If a stream has a clock, the stream sample times are relative to the stream's clock.

`STREAM_TIME` is defined as a **LONGLONG** value.

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## IMultiMediaStream::Seek

### IMultiMediaStream Interface

Sets the seek location of all contained media streams to the specified time.

```
HRESULT Seek(
    STREAM_TIME SeekTime
)
```

### Parameters

*SeekTime*

[in] `STREAM_TIME` value that specifies the seek time.

### Return Values

Returns one of the following values.

Value	Meaning
<code>E_POINTER</code>	One of the pointers is invalid.
<code>MS_E_NOSEEKING</code>	One or more media streams don't support seeking.
<code>MS_E_WRITESTREAM</code>	The streams are writable and therefore don't support seeking.
<code>S_OK</code>	Success.

### Remarks

This method won't work on streams that don't support seeking. Before calling this method, retrieve the stream's capabilities by calling `IMultiMediaStream::GetInformation`; if the retrieved value includes the `MMSSF_SUPPORTSEEK` flag, you can call this method.

When seeking a stream that has a clock, the current time can change to an unpredictable value, including a time before the desired seek time. This causes the method to fail.

This method seeks to the specified time in all the media streams derived from the multimedia

stream object.

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## IMultiMediaStream::SetState

### IMultiMediaStream Interface

Sets the media stream to either a running or stopped state.

```
HRESULT SetState(  
    STREAM_STATE NewState  
)
```

#### Parameters

*NewState*

[in] A [STREAM\\_STATE](#) enumeration value that specifies the new media stream state.

#### Return Values

Returns S\_OK.

#### Remarks

When you set the stream to [STREAMSTATE\\_STOP](#), this method deletes all data still pending.

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## IMediaStream Interface

The **IMediaStream** interface provides access to the characteristics of a media stream, such as the stream's media type and purpose ID. It also has methods that create data samples.

For sample code that implements the multimedia streaming interfaces, see [Multimedia Streaming Sample Code](#).

## When to Implement

Implement this interface when you want to add media type-specific functionality to your media stream. This interface is implemented on multimedia stream objects. [IMediaStream](#) provides generic sample-creation methods, but you usually want to write a more powerful version of these methods that will take advantage of your media type's specific characteristics.

## When to Use

Use this interface when your application needs to access a stream's media type information and create data samples.

## Methods in Vtable Order

### Unknown methods Description

[QueryInterface](#) Retrieves pointers to supported interfaces.

[AddRef](#) Increments the reference count.

[Release](#) Decrements the reference count.

### IMediaStream methods Description

[GetMultiMediaStream](#) Retrieves a pointer to the multimedia stream that contains the specified media stream.

[GetInformation](#) Retrieves the stream's purpose ID and media type.

[SetSameFormat](#) Sets the media stream the same format as a previous stream.

[AllocateSample](#) Allocates a new stream sample object for the current media stream.

[CreateSharedSample](#) Creates a new stream sample that shares the same [backing object](#) as the existing sample.

[SendEndOfStream](#) Forces the current stream to end. If the current stream isn't writable, this method does nothing.

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# IMediaStream::AllocateSample

## [IMediaStream Interface](#)

Allocates a new stream sample object for the current media stream.

```
HRESULT AllocateSample(
    DWORD dwFlags,
    IStreamSample **ppSample
)
```

## Parameters

*dwFlags*

[in] Flags. Must be zero.

*ppSample*

[out] Pointer to the newly created stream sample's [IStreamSample](#) interface.

## Return Values

Returns one of the following values.

Value	Meaning
E_OUTOFMEMORY	There isn't enough memory available to create a stream sample.
E_POINTER	A parameter is invalid.
S_OK	Success.

## Remarks

This method allocates the sample and its associated backing object or buffer. The backing object is either the [DirectDraw](#) surface for video or the [IAudioData](#) object for audio.

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# IStreamSample::CreateSharedSample

## [IStreamSample](#) Interface

Creates a new stream sample that shares the same [backing object](#) as the existing sample.

```
HRESULT CreateSharedSample(
    IStreamSample* pExistingSample,
    DWORD dwFlags ,
    IStreamSample** ppNewSample
)
```

## Parameters

*pExistingSample*

[in] Pointer to the existing sample.

*dwFlags*

[in] Reserved for flag data. Must be zero.

*ppNewSample*

[out] Address of a pointer to an [IStreamSample](#) interface that will point to the newly

created shared sample.

## Return Values

Returns one of the following values.

Value	Meaning
E_OUTOFMEMORY	There isn't enough memory available to create the sample.
E_POINTER	One of the parameters is invalid.
MS_E_INCOMPATIBLE	The existing sample isn't compatible with the specified media stream.
S_OK	Success; <i>ppNewSample</i> points to the newly created sample.

## Remarks

This method calls [IUnknown::QueryInterface](#) on the existing sample to retrieve the media type-specific information, which it uses to create the shared sample.

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# IMediaStream::GetInformation

## IMediaStream Interface

Retrieves the stream's purpose ID and media type.

```
HRESULT GetInformation(
    MSPID* pPurposeId,
    STREAM_TYPE* pType
)
```

## Parameters

*pPurposeId*

[out] Pointer to an [MSPID](#) value that will contain the stream's purpose ID. If this parameter is NULL on entry, the method won't retrieve the purpose ID.

*pType*

[out] Pointer to a [STREAM\\_TYPE](#) enumerated data type value that will contain the stream's media type. If this parameter is NULL on entry, the method won't retrieve the media type.

## Return Values

Returns S\_OK if successful or E\_POINTER if one of the parameters is invalid.

## Remarks

The value retrieved in the *pPurposeId* parameter will usually be either `MSPID_PrimaryVideo`, which identifies the primary video stream, or `MSPID_PrimaryAudio`, which identifies the primary audio stream; however, you can define other values if necessary.

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# IMediaStream::GetMultiMediaStream

## IMediaStream Interface

Retrieves a pointer to the multimedia stream that contains the specified media stream.

```
HRESULT GetMultiMediaStream(  
    IMultiMediaStream** ppMultiMediaStream  
)
```

## Parameters

*ppMultiMediaStream*

[out] Address of a pointer to an IMultiMediaStream interface object that will point to the multimedia stream from which the current media stream was created.

## Return Values

Returns `S_OK` if successful or `E_POINTER` if *ppMultiMediaStream* is invalid.

## Remarks

This method increments the reference count of the retrieved object pointer.

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# IMediaStream::SendEndOfStream

## IMediaStream Interface

Forces the current stream to end. If the current stream isn't writable, this method does nothing.

```
HRESULT SendEndOfStream(  
    DWORD dwFlags  
)
```

### Parameters

*dwFlags*  
[in] Reserved for flag data. Must be zero.

### Return Values

Returns S\_OK if successful or MS\_E\_INCOMPATIBLE if the existing sample isn't compatible with the current media stream.

### Remarks

Applications do not call this internal method.

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## IMediaStream::SetSameFormat

### IMediaStream Interface

Sets the media stream the same format as a previous stream.

```
HRESULT SetSameFormat(  
    IMediaStream *pStreamThatHasDesiredFormat,  
    DWORD dwFlags  
);
```

### Parameters

*pStreamThatHasDesiredFormat*  
[in] Pointer to a media stream object that has the same format.  
*dwFlags*  
[in] Reserved for flag data. Must be zero.

### Return Values

Returns S\_OK if successful or E\_POINTER if one of the parameters is invalid.

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## IStreamSample Interface

The **IStreamSample** interface provides control over the behavior of stream samples. You can retrieve the media stream that created the sample, set or retrieve sample start and stop times, check the sample's completion status, and perform a developer-specified function on the sample itself.

### When to Implement

Implement this interface when you implement a media stream for a new media type. The interface is exposed on sample objects created by media streams.

### When to Use

Use this interface when you want to control data samples created by [IMediaStream](#) or its derived interfaces.

### Methods in Vtable Order

#### IUnknown methods Description

[QueryInterface](#) Retrieves pointers to supported interfaces.

[AddRef](#) Increments the reference count.

[Release](#) Decrements the reference count.

#### IStreamSample methods Description

[GetMediaStream](#) Retrieves a pointer to the media stream object that created the current sample.

[GetSampleTimes](#) Retrieves the current sample's start and end times.

[SetSampleTimes](#) Sets the current sample's start and end times.

[Update](#) Performs a synchronous or an asynchronous update on the current sample.

[CompletionStatus](#) Retrieves the status of the current sample's latest asynchronous update. If the update isn't complete, you can force it to complete.

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## IStreamSample::CompletionStatus

### IStreamSample Interface

Retrieves the status of the current sample's latest asynchronous update. If the update isn't complete, you can force it to complete.

### **HRESULT CompletionStatus(**

**DWORD** *dwFlags*,  
**DWORD** *dwMilliseconds*  
**)**

### **Parameters**

#### *dwFlags*

[in] Value that specifies whether to forcibly complete the update. This value is a combination of one or more of the following flags.

<b>Value</b>	<b>Meaning</b>
COMPSTAT_NOUPDATEOK (0x01)	Force the update to complete as soon as possible, even if the sample update isn't yet complete. If the sample is updating and you didn't set the COMPSTAT_WAIT flag, the method returns MS_S_PENDING. If the sample is waiting to be updated, this method removes it from the queue and returns MS_S_NOTUPDATED.
COMPSTAT_WAIT (0x02)	Wait until the sample finishes updating before returning from this method.
COMPSTAT_ABORT (0x04)	Forces the update to complete, even if it's currently updating. This leaves the sample data in an undefined state. Combine this value with the COMPSTAT_WAITFORCOMPLETION flag to ensure that the update canceled.

#### *dwMilliseconds*

[in] If the *dwFlags* parameter is COMPSTAT\_WAIT, this value is the number of milliseconds to wait for the update to complete. Specify INFINITE to indicate that you want to wait until the sample updates before this call returns.

### **Return Values**

Returns one of the following values.

<b>Value</b>	<b>Meaning</b>
E_ABORT	The update aborted.
MS_S_ENDOFSTREAM	The sample wasn't updated because it reached the end of the stream.
MS_S_NOUPDATE	The update was forcibly completed; the sample was not updated by the stream.
MS_S_PENDING	An asynchronous update is pending.
S_OK	Success.

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## IStreamSample::GetMediaStream

### IStreamSample Interface

Retrieves a pointer to the media stream object that created the current sample.

```
HRESULT GetMediaStream(  
    IMediaStream** ppMediaStream  
)
```

### Parameters

*ppMediaStream*

[in] Address of a pointer to an IMediaStream interface that will point to the media stream that created the current sample.

### Return Values

Returns S\_OK if successful or E\_POINTER if *ppMediaStream* is invalid.

### Remarks

If successful, this method increments the reference count of the media stream specified by *ppMediaStream*.

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## IStreamSample::GetSampleTimes

### IStreamSample Interface

Retrieves the current sample's start and end times. If the sample is updating, this method returns the times after the update completes.

```
HRESULT GetSampleTimes(  
    STREAM_TIME* pStartTime,
```

```

STREAM_TIME* pEndTime,
STREAM_TIME* pCurrentTime
)

```

### Parameters

*pStartTime*

[out] Pointer to a STREAM\_TIME value that will contain the sample's start time.

*pEndTime*

[out] Pointer to a STREAM\_TIME value that will contain the sample's end time.

*pCurrentTime*

[out] Pointer to a STREAM\_TIME value that will contain the media stream's current media time.

### Return Values

Returns S\_OK if successful or E\_POINTER if one of the parameters is invalid.

### Remarks

For streams that have a clock, the start and end times will be relative to the stream's current time. If the stream doesn't have a clock, the times are media-relative and the current time will be zero.

The *pCurrentTime* parameter enables you to conveniently track the media stream's current time, so you don't have to call IMultiMediaStream::GetTime. Unlike GetTime, however, this method returns S\_OK if the stream doesn't have a clock; **GetTime** returns S\_FALSE. The value assigned to *pCurrentTime* is the same as the value produced by the following code fragment.

```

pSample->GetMediaStream(&pMediaStream);
pMediaStream->GetMultiMediaStream(&pMultiMediaStream);
pMediaStream->Release();
pMultiMediaStream->GetTime(&pCurrentTime);
pMultiMediaStream->Release();

```

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## IStreamSample::SetSampleTimes

### IStreamSample Interface

Sets the current sample's start and end times. You can call this method prior to updating the sample.

```
HRESULT SetSampleTimes(
    const STREAM_TIME* pStartTime,
    const STREAM_TIME* pEndTime
)
```

### Parameters

*pStartTime*

[in] Pointer to a `STREAM_TIME` value that contains the sample's new start time.

*pEndTime*

[in] Pointer to a `STREAM_TIME` value that contains the sample's new end time.

### Return Values

Returns `S_OK` if successful or `E_POINTER` if one of the parameters is `NULL`.

### Remarks

For streams that have a clock, the times must be relative to the stream's current time. If the stream doesn't have a clock, the times should be relative to the media.

This method only applies to writable streams.

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## IStreamSample::Update

### IStreamSample Interface

Performs a synchronous or an asynchronous update on the current sample.

```
HRESULT Update(
    DWORD dwFlags,
    HANDLE hEvent,
    PAPCFUNC pfnAPC,
    DWORD dwAPCData
)
```

### Parameters

*dwFlags*

[in] Flag that specifies whether the update is synchronous or asynchronous. The `SSUPDATE_ASYNC` flag specifies an asynchronous update, which you can set if both *hEvent* and *pfnAPC* are `NULL`. Use `SSUPDATE_CONTINUOUS` to continuously update the sample until you call the `IStreamSample::CompletionStatus` method.

***hEvent***

[in] Handle to an event that this method will trigger when the update is complete.

***pfnAPC***

[in] Pointer to a Win32 asynchronous procedure call (APC) function that this method will call after it completes the sample update.

***dwAPCData***

[in] Value that this method passes to the function specified by the *pfnAPC* parameter.

**Return Values**

Returns one of the following values.

<b>Value</b>	<b>Meaning</b>
E_ABORT	The update aborted.
E_INVALIDARG	One of the parameters is invalid.
E_POINTER	One of the parameters is invalid.
MS_E_BUSY	This sample already has a pending update.
MS_S_ENDOFSTREAM	Reached the end of the stream; the sample wasn't updated.
MS_S_PENDING	The asynchronous update is pending.
S_OK	Success.

**Remarks**

This method can be used to perform a synchronous or asynchronous update of a sample. If both *hEvent* and *pfnAPC* are NULL then the update will be synchronous unless either of the SSUPDATE\_ASYNC or SSUPDATE\_CONTINUOUS flags is specified. When a synchronous update returns, the result of the function contains the I/O completion status.

You can't specify values for both *hEvent* and *pfnAPC*; the method will fail.

Asynchronous updates might complete before the update returns; in that case, the return value is S\_OK. If you specify an event and the update returns S\_OK, this method sets the event on return. If you specify an APC function and the update returns S\_OK, the APC will not be queued and the function will not be called.

Asynchronous updates that don't complete prior to returning will return a value of MS\_S\_PENDING.

Applications that create multiple streams must read from each of them to avoid having their data blocked.

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## IDirectDrawMediaStream Interface

The **IDirectDrawMediaStream** interface controls media streams that appear on Microsoft DirectDraw® surfaces. To stream to a DirectDraw surface, DirectDraw must support the video stream format.

For sample code that implements the multimedia streaming interfaces see [Multimedia Streaming Sample Code](#).

### When to Implement

This interface isn't intended for implementation by application developers. It is exposed on [DirectDraw](#) media streams that can be added to a DirectShow multimedia stream.

### When to Use

Use this interface when you want to output a video stream to a DirectDraw surface.

### Methods in Vtable Order

#### IUnknown methods Description

<a href="#">QueryInterface</a>	Retrieves pointers to supported interfaces.
<a href="#">AddRef</a>	Increments the reference count.
<a href="#">Release</a>	Decrements the reference count.

#### IDirectDrawMediaStream methods Description

<a href="#">GetFormat</a>	Retrieves the current media stream's format and, optionally, its desired format.
<a href="#">SetFormat</a>	Sets the current media stream's format. If the stream already has allocated samples and the sample format doesn't match the specified format, this method fails.
<a href="#">GetDirectDraw</a>	Retrieves a pointer to the DirectDraw object used by the current media stream.
<a href="#">SetDirectDraw</a>	Sets the current media stream's DirectDraw object.
<a href="#">CreateSample</a>	Creates a stream sample using the specified DirectDraw surface object.
<a href="#">GetTimePerFrame</a>	Retrieves the average frames per second from a video stream.

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## IDirectDrawMediaStream::CreateSample

[IDirectDrawMediaStream Interface](#)

Creates a stream sample using the specified DirectDraw surface object.

```
HRESULT CreateSample(
  IDirectDrawSurface* pSurface,
  const RECT *pRect,
  DWORD dwFlags,
  IDirectDrawStreamSample** ppSample
)
```

### Parameters

*pSurface*

[in] Pointer to an existing DirectDraw surface.

*pRect*

[in] Pointer to the clipping rectangle you want to use with the specified surface. Set this parameter to NULL if you want to use the entire surface.

*dwFlags*

[in] Flag that specifies whether the render should be progressive. To perform a progressive render, set this value to DDSFF\_PROGRESSIVERENDER. If you don't set this flag, sample updates will copy the sample data to the surface.

*ppSample*

[out] Address of a pointer to an IDirectDrawStreamSample interface that will point to the newly created sample.

### Return Values

Returns one of the following values.

Value	Meaning
DDERR_INVALIDPIXELFORMAT	The specified pixel format is incompatible with the stream format.
DDERR_INVALIDRECT	The specified clipping rectangle is invalid.
DDERR_INVALIDSURFACETYPE	The specified surface is incompatible with the stream format.
E_POINTER	One or more of the required parameters is invalid.
MS_E_SAMPLEALLOC	The stream already has allocated samples and the surface doesn't match the sample format.
S_OK	Success.

### Remarks

This method creates a sample from the current stream and attaches the sample to this surface.

If the stream doesn't have an allocated surface and the specified surface doesn't match the stream's format, this method calls the IDirectDrawMediaStream::SetFormat method on the stream so the two will match.

To perform a progressive render, create a single sample and repeatedly use that sample for successive frames of video. Video decompressors use this technique to do partial updates to the previous frame.

Note, the *pRect* parameter should match the format of the stream (see

`IDirectDrawMediaStream::GetFormat`). If the wrong clip rectangle is set or no clip rectangle is set, and the surface size does not match the movie size, the movie may not play. If a primary surface is used it is advisable to use a clipping rectangle because the primary surface size may change if the user changes their display settings.

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## **IDirectDrawMediaStream::GetDirectDraw**

### IDirectDrawMediaStream Interface

Retrieves a pointer to the DirectDraw object used by the current media stream.

```
HRESULT GetDirectDraw(  
    IDirectDraw** ppDirectDraw  
)
```

#### **Parameters**

*ppDirectDraw*

[out] Address of a pointer to an [IDirectDraw](#) interface that will contain the current media stream's associated DirectDraw object.

#### **Return Values**

Returns `S_OK` if successful or `E_POINTER` if the parameter is invalid.

#### **Remarks**

If you haven't initialized the stream yet, the retrieved pointer will be `NULL` and the method will return `S_OK`. If you have initialized the stream, this method increments the retrieved pointer's reference count.

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## **IDirectDrawMediaStream::GetFormat**



IDirectDrawMediaStream Interface

Retrieves the current media stream's format and, optionally, its desired format.

```
HRESULT GetFormat(
    DDSURFACEDESC *pDDSDCurrent,
    IDirectDrawPalette **ppDirectDrawPalette,
    DDSURFACEDESC *pDDSDDesired,
    DWORD* pdwFlags
)
```

**Parameters**

*pDDSDCurrent*

[out] Pointer to a DirectDraw surface description that will contain the current media stream's format.

*ppDirectDrawPalette*

[out] Address of a pointer to an **IDirectDrawPalette** interface if one exists.

*pDDSDDesired*

[out] Pointer to a DirectDraw surface description that will contain the current media stream's desired format.

*pdwFlags*

[out] Pointer to the flags set in a DDSURFACEDESC structure. Fields of interest include.

<b>Value</b>	<b>Meaning</b>
DDSD_HEIGHT	Indicates that the height member of the structure is valid.
DDSD_WIDTH	Indicates that the width member of the structure is valid.
DDSD_PIXELFORMAT	Indicates that the pixel format member of the structure is valid.
DDSD_CAPS	Indicates that the surface capability member of the structure is valid.

**Return Values**

Returns one of the following values.

<b>Value</b>	<b>Meaning</b>
DDERR_INVALIDPARAMS	One of the DirectDraw surface parameters is invalid.
E_POINTER	One or more of the required parameters is invalid.
S_OK	Success.

**Remarks**

After you call this method, you can either conform to the current format or attempt to change the format by calling the IDirectDrawMediaStream::SetFormat method.

All of this method's parameters are optional; set any of them to NULL to indicate that you don't want to retrieve that information.

To perform a progressive render, create a single sample and repeatedly use that sample for successive frames of video. Video decompressors use this technique to do partial updates to the previous frame.

You must initialize the **dwSize** member of the DDSURFACEDESC structure before calling this

method.

The `DDSD_CAPS` flag will return one of the values listed in the `DDSCAPS` structure or `DDSCAPS_DATAEXCHANGE`, which is defined as `DDSCAPS_SYSTEMMEMORY|DDSCAPS_VIDEOMEMORY` in `Ddrawex.h`.

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## IDirectDrawMediaStream::GetTimePerFrame

IDirectDrawMediaStream Interface

Retrieves the average frames per second from a video stream.

```
HRESULT GetTimePerFrame(  
    STREAM_TIME *pFrameTime  
)
```

### Parameters

*pFrameTime*

[out] `STREAM_TIME` value that indicates the average time per frame in 100-nanosecond units.

### Return Values

Returns `S_OK` if successful or `E_POINTER` if the pointer is invalid.

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## IDirectDrawMediaStream::SetDirectDraw

IDirectDrawMediaStream Interface

Sets the current media stream's DirectDraw object.

```
HRESULT SetDirectDraw(  

```

```
IDirectDraw* pDirectDraw  
)
```

### Parameters

*pDirectDraw*

[in] Address of a pointer to an [IDirectDraw](#) interface that contains the media stream's new DirectDraw object.

### Return Values

Returns S\_OK if successful.

### Remarks

This method fails if the current stream already has allocated samples and its DirectDraw object differs from the specified one. It will always succeed if the specified DirectDraw object matches the stream's current object.

If this stream has no allocated samples, you can set *pDirectDraw* to NULL. This forces the stream to release its reference to the current DirectDraw object.

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## IDirectDrawMediaStream::SetFormat

### [IDirectDrawMediaStream](#) Interface

Sets the format of the current media stream.

```
HRESULT SetFormat(  
    const DDSURFACEDESC *pDDSurfaceDesc,  
    IDirectDrawPalette *pDirectDrawPalette  
)
```

### Parameters

*pDDSurfaceDesc*

[in] Pointer to a DirectDraw surface description that contains the new format.

*pDirectDrawPalette*

[in] Optional parameter that is a pointer to an [IDirectDrawPalette](#) interface.

### Return Values

Returns one of the following values.

Value	Meaning
S_OK	Success.
DDERR_INVALIDSURFACETYPE	The specified format is incompatible with the current stream.
MS_E_SAMPLEALLOC	Can't change the format because one or more stream samples are already allocated for this stream.

### Remarks

If the stream already has allocated samples and the sample format doesn't match the specified format, this method fails. This method always succeeds if the specified format matches the current format.

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## IDirectDrawStreamSample Interface

The **IDirectDrawStreamSample** interface provides methods that set and retrieve pointers to the DirectDraw surface associated with the current stream sample.

### When to Implement

This interface isn't intended for implementation by application developers. It is exposed by sample objects created by the DirectDraw stream.

### When to Use

Use this interface when applications need to set clipping rectangles and retrieve the rendering surface for DirectDraw stream samples.

### Methods in Vtable Order

#### IUnknown methods Description

<a href="#">QueryInterface</a>	Retrieves pointers to supported interfaces.
<a href="#">AddRef</a>	Increments the reference count.
<a href="#">Release</a>	Decrements the reference count.

#### IDirectDrawStreamSample methods Description

<a href="#">GetSurface</a>	Retrieves pointers to the current sample's DirectDraw surface and associated clipping rectangle.
<a href="#">SetRect</a>	Changes the clipping rectangle for a sample.

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## IDirectDrawStreamSample::GetSurface

### IDirectDrawStreamSample Interface

Retrieves pointers to the current sample's DirectDraw surface and associated clipping rectangle.

```
HRESULT GetSurface(  
    IDirectDrawSurface ** ppDirectDrawSurface,  
    RECT * pRect  
);
```

### Parameters

#### *ppDirectDrawSurface*

[out] Address of a pointer to an IDirectDrawSurface interface that specifies the sample's new surface. Set this parameter to NULL if you don't want to specify a new surface.

#### *pRect*

[out] Pointer to a RECT structure that will contain the current sample's clipping rectangle. Set this parameter to NULL if you don't want to retrieve the clipping rectangle.

### Return Values

Returns S\_OK if successful.

### Remarks

Both parameters are optional. All implementations of this interface must support null values as valid parameters. If you retrieve a surface pointer, this method increments its reference count, so you must release the reference.

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## IDirectDrawStreamSample::SetRect

### IDirectDrawStreamSample Interface

Changes the clipping rectangle for a sample.

```
HRESULT SetRect (  
  const RECT * pRect  
)
```

### Parameters

*pRect*

[in] Pointer to a [RECT](#) structure that specifies the stream's new clipping rectangle.

### Return Values

Returns one of the following values.

Value	Meaning
DDERR_INVALIDPIXELFORMAT	The stream isn't compatible with the pixel format.
DDERR_INVALIDRECT	The specified rectangle is invalid.
DDERR_INVALIDSURFACETYPE	The stream isn't compatible with the surface.
E_POINTER	One of the pointers is invalid.
MS_E_SAMPLEALLOC	The stream format doesn't match the surface and samples are currently allocated to the stream.
S_OK	Success.

### Remarks

Both parameters are optional; set either to NULL to avoid changing that value. If the surface format doesn't match the stream format, this method fails.

If the new rectangle's size isn't the same as the current rectangle, a call to this method will fail.

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## IAudioMediaStream Interface

The **IAudioMediaStream** interface controls audio media streams by providing methods that set and get the stream's format. This interface inherits from the [IMediaStream](#) interface and is used to create one or more [IAudioStreamSample](#) objects. You can also use it to set and retrieve the stream data's current format.

This interface is currently defined only for PCM format audio data.

For sample code that implements the audio streaming interfaces, see [Multimedia Streaming Sample Code](#).

### When to Implement

Like video, audio is contained in a self-describing container object. Implement this interface when an object needs to control streaming audio.

### When to Use

Use this interface when you want to generate audio in your application.

### Methods in Vtable Order

#### IUnknown methods Description

<a href="#">QueryInterface</a>	Retrieves pointers to supported interfaces.
<a href="#">AddRef</a>	Increments the reference count.
<a href="#">Release</a>	Decrements the reference count.

#### IAudioMediaStream methods Description

<a href="#">GetFormat</a>	Retrieves the stream data's current format.
<a href="#">SetFormat</a>	Sets the format for the stream.
<a href="#">CreateSample</a>	Creates an audio stream sample for use with this stream.

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## IAudioMediaStream::CreateSample

### [IAudioMediaStream Interface](#)

Creates an audio stream sample for use with the specified stream.

```
HRESULT CreateSample(
    IAudioData *pAudioData,
    DWORD dwFlags,
    IAudioStreamSample **ppSample
);
```

### Parameters

#### *pAudioData*

[in] Pointer to an [IAudioData](#) container. **IAudioData** objects can be referenced by samples in more than one stream.

*dwFlags*

[in] Reserved for flag data. Must be zero.

*ppSample*

[out] Address of a pointer to the new [IAudioStreamSample](#) interface.

### Return Values

Returns S\_OK if successful or E\_POINTER if one or more of the required parameters are NULL.

### Remarks

The *pAudioData* object defines the data's format.

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## IAudioMediaStream::GetFormat

[IAudioMediaStream Interface](#)

Retrieves the stream data's current format.

```
HRESULT GetFormat(  
    WAVEFORMATEX *pWaveFormatCurrent );
```

### Parameters

*pWaveFormatCurrent*

[out] Pointer to a [WAVEFORMATEX](#) structure that contains the stream data's current format.

### Return Values

Returns S\_OK if successful or E\_POINTER if the required parameter is NULL.

### Remarks

Currently, DirectShow only supports PCM wave data.

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## IAudioMediaStream::SetFormat

### IAudioMediaStream Interface

Sets the format for the stream.

```
HRESULT SetFormat(
    const WAVEFORMATEX *lpWaveFormat
);
```

### Parameters

*lpWaveFormat*

[in] Pointer to a WAVEFORMATEX structure that contains stream format information.

### Return Values

Returns an HRESULT value, which can include the following values or others not listed.

<b>Value</b>	<b>Meaning</b>
MS_E_INCOMPATIBLE	Format of the <u>IAudioData</u> object is not compatible with stream.
E_POINTER	Null pointer argument.
E_INVALIDARG	Invalid argument.
S_OK	Success.

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## IAudioStreamSample Interface

The **IAudioStreamSample** interface retrieves information from the underlying IAudioData data objects.

For sample code that implements the audio streaming interfaces, see Multimedia Streaming Sample Code.

### When to Implement

Implement this interface on audio stream sample objects when they need access to an IAudioData object's data .

### When to Use

Use this interface when your application needs to access an [IAudioData](#) object's data for its audio stream.

### Methods in Vtable Order

#### IUnknown methods Description

<a href="#">QueryInterface</a>	Retrieves pointers to supported interfaces.
<a href="#">AddRef</a>	Increments the reference count.
<a href="#">Release</a>	Decrements the reference count.

#### IAudioStreamSample methods Description

<a href="#">GetAudioData</a>	Retrieves the address of a pointer to the <a href="#">IAudioData</a> object associated with the sample.
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## IAudioStreamSample::GetAudioData

### [IAudioStreamSample](#) Interface

Retrieves the address of a pointer to the [IAudioData](#) object associated with the sample.

```
HRESULT GetAudioData(
    IAudioData **ppAudio );
```

#### Parameters

*ppAudio*

[out] Address of a pointer to the [IAudioData](#) object.

#### Return Values

Returns S\_OK if successful or E\_POINTER if the parameter is NULL.

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## IMemoryData Interface

The **IMemoryData** interface contains methods that set and retrieve memory data on audio data objects. Audio data objects provide the underlying data which stream samples access. This interface provides a way to initialize memory buffers and to set actual amounts of audio data in the objects. Additionally, the GetInfo method can be used to retrieve audio memory data.

### When to Implement

Implement this interface on underlying audio data objects that audio stream sample objects will access.

### When to Use

Typically these methods are called by the IAudioMediaStream or IAudioStreamSample object, rather than by the application.

### Methods in Vtable Order

#### IUnknown methods Description

<u>QueryInterface</u>	Retrieves pointers to supported interfaces.
<u>AddRef</u>	Increments the reference count.
<u>Release</u>	Decrements the reference count.

#### IMemoryData methods Description

<u>SetBuffer</u>	Initializes a memory buffer with a pointer to memory and length.
<u>GetInfo</u>	Retrieves information describing an audio data object.
<u>SetActual</u>	Sets the amount of audio data currently in the object, in bytes.

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## IMemoryData::GetInfo

### IMemoryData Interface

Retrieves information describing an audio data object.

```
HRESULT GetInfo(  
    DWORD *pdwLength,  
    BYTE **ppbData,  
    DWORD *pcbActualData );
```

### Parameters

*pdwLength*

[out] Length of memory in bytes, if non-NULL.

*ppbData*

[out] Pointer to the memory, if non-NULL.

*pcbActualData*

[out] Length of data in bytes, if non-NULL.

### Return Values

Returns S\_OK if successful.

### Remarks

This method determines how much data is actually in the object at the moment as last set by [SetActual](#).

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## IMemoryData::SetActual

### IMemoryData Interface

Sets the amount of audio data currently in the object.

```
HRESULT SetActual(  
    DWORD cbDataValid  
);
```

### Parameters

*cbDataValid*

[in] Amount of data, in bytes.

### Return Values

Returns S\_OK if successful or E\_POINTER if the required parameter is NULL.

### Remarks

This method is usually called by the [IAudioMediaStream](#) or [IAudioStreamSample](#) object, rather than by the application.

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## IMemoryData::SetBuffer

### IMemoryData Interface

Initializes a memory buffer with a pointer to memory and length.

```
HRESULT SetBuffer(  
    DWORD cbSize,  
    BYTE *pbData,  
    DWORD dwFlags );
```

### Parameters

*cbSize*  
[in] Size of memory pointed to by *pbData*, in bytes.

*pbData*  
[in] Pointer to memory that this object will use.

*dwFlags*  
[in] Reserved for flag data. Must be zero.

### Return Values

Returns S\_OK if successful or E\_INVALIDARG if *cbSize* is zero or *pbData* is NULL.

### Remarks

This method can be called more than once.

Do not call this method when the IStreamSample::Update method is processing a sample.

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## IAudioData Interface

The **IAudioData** interface provides methods that enable applications to set and get the underlying audio data that audio streams will reference. The audio data format is set in the

WAVEFORMATEX structure.

### When to Implement

Implement this interface on underlying audio data objects that audio stream sample objects will access.

### When to Use

Applications use this interface to set and retrieve information on underlying data objects that an audio stream will reference.

### Methods in Vtable Order

#### IUnknown methods Description

<u>QueryInterface</u>	Retrieves pointers to supported interfaces.
<u>AddRef</u>	Increments the reference count.
<u>Release</u>	Decrements the reference count.

#### IAudioData methods Description

<u>GetFormat</u>	Retrieves the current data format.
<u>SetFormat</u>	Sets the current data format.

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## IAudioData::GetFormat

### IAudioData Interface

Retrieves the current data format.

```
HRESULT GetFormat(  
    WAVEFORMATEX *pWaveFormatCurrent );
```

### Parameters

*pWaveFormatCurrent*

[out] Pointer to a WAVEFORMATEX structure that contains the current data format.

### Return Values

Returns S\_OK if successful or E\_POINTER if pointer is invalid.

### Remarks

Currently, DirectShow only supports PCM wave data.

## See Also

[IAudioData::SetFormat](#)

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# IAudioData::SetFormat

## IAudioData Interface

Sets the current data format.

```
HRESULT SetFormat(  
    const WAVEFORMATEX *lpWaveFormat );
```

## Parameters

*lpWaveFormat*

[in] Pointer to a [WAVEFORMATEX](#) structure that will contain the current data format.

## Return Values

Returns an [HRESULT](#) value, which can include the following values.

Value	Meaning
E_POINTER	Invalid pointer argument.
E_INVALIDARG	Invalid format.
S_OK	Success.

## See Also

[IAudioData::GetFormat](#)

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## IAMMultiMediaStream Interface

The **IAMMultiMediaStream** interface exposes Microsoft® DirectShow™ functionality to multimedia stream developers. You can use its methods to automatically generate filter graphs, open files or monikers for playback or capture of incoming data, and render a given filter graph.

### When to Implement

Implement this interface when you want to provide multimedia stream-based support for DirectShow media types in your applications.

### When to Use

Use this interface when you want to control DirectShow-supported media playback in your multimedia streaming applications.

### Methods in Vtable Order

#### IUnknown methods Description

<a href="#">QueryInterface</a>	Retrieves pointers to supported interfaces.
<a href="#">AddRef</a>	Increments the reference count.
<a href="#">Release</a>	Decrements the reference count.

#### IAMMultiMediaStream methods Description

<a href="#">Initialize</a>	Sets the stream type. If the <i>pFilterGraph</i> parameter is non-NULL the filter graph passed in is used for the stream.
<a href="#">GetFilterGraph</a>	Retrieves the associated filter graph's <a href="#">IGraphBuilder</a> interface.
<a href="#">GetFilter</a>	Retrieves the specified filter from the current filter graph.
<a href="#">AddMediaStream</a>	Adds the specified media stream to the current filter graph.
<a href="#">OpenFile</a>	Opens and automatically creates a filter graph for the specified media file. If DirectShow doesn't support the file format, this method does nothing.
<a href="#">OpenMoniker</a>	Opens a file or device moniker; you can read media data from this moniker if DirectShow supports the media type.
<a href="#">Render</a>	Renders the current filter graph.

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## IAMMultiMediaStream::AddMediaStream



IAMMultiMediaStream Interface

Adds the specified media stream to the current filter graph.

```
HRESULT AddMediaStream(
  IUnknown* pStreamObject,
  const MSPID *pPurposeID,
  DWORD dwFlags,
  IMediaStream** ppNewStream
)
```

**Parameters***pStreamObject*

[in] Pointer to an IUnknown interface that points to either the media stream or underlying stream object you want to add to the current filter graph.

*pPurposeID*

[in] Pointer to the purpose ID for the newly added media stream.

*dwFlags*

[in] Value that modifies the media stream's behavior; it is a combination of one or more of the following values.

AMMSF\_ADDDEFAULTRENDERER Add a default renderer.

AMMSF\_CREATEPEER Create a peer stream based on the same object as a *pStreamObject*.

*ppNewStream*

[out] Address of a pointer to an IMediaStream interface that will point to the newly added media stream. This parameter is optional.

**Return Values**

Returns an HRESULT value, which can include the following values:

<b>Value</b>	<b>Meaning</b>
MS_E_PURPOSEID	Stream being added has a different purpose ID from the one specified or a stream with the specified purpose ID already exists.
E_POINTER	Null pointer argument.
S_OK	Success.

**Remarks**

If *dwFlags* specifies AMMSF\_ADDDEFAULTRENDERER then the default renderer for the given purpose Id is created if possible. Currently the only default renderer supported is for audio using DirectSound. In this case the *pStreamObject* parameter must be NULL and any calls to the IMultiMediaStream::GetMediaStream or IMultiMediaStream::EnumMediaStreams methods will not recognize the stream.

If *dwFlags* specifies AMMSF\_CREATEPEER then a Media Stream is created using *pStreamObject* and added to the current multimedia stream. *pStreamObject* varies depending on the stream type. In general *pStreamObject* can point to an IMediaStream object, in which case a stream with the sample purpose ID and format is created. For IDirectDraw streams it can also be a pointer to an **IDirectDraw** object.

If neither flag is set then `pStreamObject` can be one of the following:

An <a href="#">IAMMediaStream</a> object	This stream is then added to the streams in the multimedia stream.
NULL	In this case a default <a href="#">IMediaStream</a> object is added to the stream with a default underlying object if required.
A pointer to an underlying object	This is used to construct default streams. For video streams this can be an <a href="#">IDirectDraw</a> pointer.

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## IAMMultiMediaStream::GetFilter

[IAMMultiMediaStream Interface](#)

Retrieves the specified filter from the current filter graph.

```
HRESULT GetFilter(  
    IMediaStreamFilter** ppFilter  
)
```

### Parameters

*ppFilter*

[out] Address of a pointer to an **IMediaStreamFilter** interface that will point to the current filter.

### Return Values

Returns `S_OK` if successful or `E_POINTER` if one or more of the required parameters are NULL.

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## IAMMultiMediaStream::GetFilterGraph

[IAMMultiMediaStream Interface](#)

Retrieves the associated filter graph's [IGraphBuilder](#) interface.

```
HRESULT GetFilterGraph(  
    IGraphBuilder **ppGraphBuilder  
);
```

### Parameters

*ppGraphBuilder*

[out] Address of a pointer to an *IGraphBuilder* interface that will point to the current filter graph.

### Return Values

Returns S\_OK if successful or E\_POINTER if one or more of the required parameters are NULL.

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## IAMMultiMediaStream::Initialize

### [IAMMultiMediaStream](#) Interface

Sets the stream type. If the *pFilterGraph* parameter is non-NULL the filter graph passed in is used for the stream.

```
HRESULT Initialize(  
    STREAM_TYPE StreamType,  
    DWORD dwFlags,  
    IGraphBuilder * pFilterGraph  
);
```

### Parameters

*StreamType*

[in] [STREAM\\_TYPE](#) enumeration value that specifies the new filter graph's stream type.

*dwFlags*

[in] Either contains the AMMSF\_NOGRAPHTHREAD flag, which creates a filter graph object on the current thread, or zero.

*pFilterGraph*

[in] [optional] Address of an [IGraphBuilder](#) interface that will point to the new filter graph. This parameter is optional; only pass in a valid pointer if you must access the filter graph at a later time.

### Return Values

Returns S\_OK if successful or E\_POINTER if one or more of the required parameters are NULL.

### Remarks

Using the AMMSF\_NOGRAPHTHREAD flag is safe provided the current thread does not exit before the stream object is released by the application and the current thread processes window messages.

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## IAMMultiMediaStream::OpenFile

### IAMMultiMediaStream Interface

Opens and automatically creates a filter graph for the specified media file. If DirectShow doesn't support the file format, this method does nothing.

```
HRESULT OpenFile(
    LPCWSTR pszFileName,
    DWORD dwFlags
)
```

### Parameters

#### *pszFileName*

[in] Name of the file you want to open.

#### *dwFlags*

[in] Value that modifies how the filter graph will render the specified file. This value is a combination of one or more of the following flags:

Value	Meaning
AMMSF_RENDERTOEXISTING	Only render to existing streams
AMMSF_RENDERALLSTREAMS	Render all streams, including those that do not have an existing media stream.
AMMSF_NORENDER	Open the file, but do not render any streams. This flag should always be accompanied with the AMMSF_RUN flag.
AMMSF_NOCLOCK	Run the stream with no clock.
AMMSF_RUN	Set the stream into the run state.

### Return Values

Returns one of the following values.

Value	Meaning
E_INVALIDARG	The <i>dwFlags</i> parameter is invalid.
E_POINTER	This method tried to access an invalid pointer.
S_OK	Success.

### Remarks

The AMMSF\_RENDERALLSTREAMS flag will create default rendering filters for video and audio if they do not exist. However, these default filters cannot be accessed by the [IStreamSample::GetMediaStream](#) method.

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## IAMMultiMediaStream::OpenMoniker

### IAMMultiMediaStream Interface

Opens a file or device moniker; you can read media data from this moniker if DirectShow supports the moniker.

```
HRESULT OpenMoniker(
    IBindCtx *pCtx,
    IMoniker* pMoniker,
    DWORD dwFlags
)
```

### Parameters

*pCtx*

[in] Pointer to the bind context associated with the moniker.

*pMoniker*

[in] Pointer to an [IMoniker](#) interface that specifies the moniker you want to open.

*dwFlags*

[in] Value that modifies how the filter graph will render the specified file. This value is a combination of one or more of the following flags:

Value	Meaning
AMMSF_RENDERTOEXISTING	Only render to existing streams
AMMSF_RENDERALLSTREAMS	Render all streams, including those that do not have an existing media stream.
AMMSF_NORENDER	Open the file, but do not render any streams. This flag should always be accompanied with the AMMSF_RUN flag.
AMMSF_NOCLOCK	Run the stream with no clock.

AMMSF\_RUN

Set the stream into the run state.

### Return Values

Returns S\_OK if successful or E\_INVALIDARG if the *dwFlags* parameter is invalid.

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## IAMMultiMediaStream::Render

IAMMultiMediaStream Interface

Renders the current filter graph.

**HRESULT** Render(  
    **DWORD** *dwFlags*  
)

### Parameters

*dwFlags*

[in] Value that specifies how the filter graph renders the current multimedia stream. This value currently must be AMMSF\_NOCLOCK.

### Return Values

Returns S\_OK if successful or E\_INVALIDARG if the *dwFlags* parameter is invalid.

### Remarks

This method renders each of the source streams for a stream of type STREAMTYPE\_WRITE. This can be called several times, for instance, each time a source stream is added, the stream is not set into running mode. Use the IMultiMediaStream::SetState method to set the stream into running mode after calling this method.

The AMMSF\_RENDERALLSTREAMS flag will create default rendering streams for video and audio if they do not exist.

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## IAMMediaStream Interface

The **IAMMediaStream** interface handles the internal connections between DirectShow filters and filter graphs in applications that use multimedia streaming. This enables applications to automatically negotiate the transfer and conversion of data from the source to the application without having to write code to handle the connection, transfer of data, data conversion, and actual data rendering or file storage. This provides a uniform and predictable method of data access and control.

### When to Implement

This interface isn't intended for implementation by application developers.

### When to Use

This interface isn't intended for use by application developers.

### Methods in Vtable Order

#### IUnknown methods Description

<a href="#">QueryInterface</a>	Retrieves pointers to supported interfaces.
<a href="#">AddRef</a>	Increments the reference count.
<a href="#">Release</a>	Decrements the reference count.

#### IAMMediaStream methods

	Description
<a href="#">Initialize</a>	Creates and initializes a new media stream with the specified stream type and purpose ID.
<a href="#">SetState</a>	Sets the filter state.
<a href="#">JoinAMMultiMediaStream</a>	The <a href="#">IAMMultiMediaStream::AddMediaStream</a> method calls this method, which adds the specified media stream to the current multimedia stream.
<a href="#">JoinFilter</a>	Connects a media stream to a media stream filter in the underlying filter graph.
<a href="#">JoinFilterGraph</a>	Connects a media stream filter to a filter graph.

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## IAMMediaStream::Initialize

[IAMMediaStream Interface](#)

Creates and initializes a new media stream with the specified stream type and purpose ID.

```
HRESULT Initialize(
  IUnknown *pSourceObject,
  DWORD dwFlags,
  REFMSPID PurposeID,
  STREAM_TYPE StreamType
)
```

### Parameters

*pSourceObject*

[in] Pointer to an [IUnknown](#) source object.

*dwFlags*

[in] Flags. Must be zero.

*PurposeID*

[in] Purpose ID for the new media stream.

*StreamType*

[in] A [STREAM\\_TYPE](#) enumeration value that specifies the new media stream's media type.

### Return Values

Returns S\_OK if successful or E\_POINTER if one or more of the required parameters are invalid.

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## IAMMediaStream::JoinAMMultiMediaStream

### [IAMMediaStream](#) Interface

The [IAMMultiMediaStream::AddMediaStream](#) method calls this method, which adds the specified media stream to the current multimedia stream.

```
HRESULT JoinAMMultiMediaStream(
  IAMMultiMediaStream* pAMMultiMediaStream
)
```

### Parameters

*pAMMultiMediaStream*

[in] Specifies the [IAMMultiMediaStream](#) object to add the current media stream to.



## Return Values

Returns S\_OK if successful or MS\_E\_SAMPLEALLOC if the media stream already has allocated stream samples.

## Remarks

Don't increment the reference count of the supplied multimedia stream because it is already accounted for when created.

Applications should not call this method.

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# IAMMediaStream::JoinFilter

## IAMMediaStream Interface

Connects a media stream to a media stream filter in the underlying filter graph.

## **HRESULT JoinFilter( )**

## Return Values

Returns S\_OK if successful or E\_POINTER if one or more of the required parameters are NULL.

## Remarks

Don't increment the reference count for the specified media stream filter.

Applications should not call this method.

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# IAMMediaStream::JoinFilterGraph

## IAMMediaStream Interface

Connects a media stream filter to a filter graph.

```
HRESULT JoinFilterGraph(  
    IFilterGraph* pGraph  
)
```

### Parameters

*pGraph*

[in] Indicates the current media stream filter to add to the specified filter graph.

### Return Values

Returns S\_OK if successful or E\_POINTER if one or more of the required parameters are NULL.

### Remarks

Don't increment the reference count of the specified filter graph.

Applications should not call this method.

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## IAMMediaStream::SetState

### IAMMediaStream Interface

Sets the filter state.

```
HRESULT SetState(  
    FILTER_STATE State  
)
```

### Parameters

*State*

[in] Sets the filter's state, as specified by the FILTER\_STATE enumerated type.

### Return Values

Returns S\_OK if successful or E\_INVALIDARG if the *State* parameter is invalid..

### Remarks

Applications should not call this method.

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## Multimedia Streaming Data Types

This section describes the Microsoft® DirectShow™ multimedia streaming data types.

<b>Data type</b>	<b>Description</b>
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<b>MSPID</b>	Media stream purpose IDs define the purpose of a media stream. A purpose ID is simply typedefed as a <u>GUID</u> .
--------------	--

<u>STREAM_STATE</u>	Describes the state of the stream.
---------------------	------------------------------------

<b>STREAM_TIME</b>	Stream time measured in 100-nanosecond increments. This type is defined to be a 64-bit integer (LONGLONG).
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<u>STREAM_TYPE</u>	Defines the direction of data flow for the stream.
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## STREAM\_STATE

### Multimedia Streaming Data Types

Describes the state of the stream.

```
typedef enum {  
    STREAMSTATE_STOP          = 0,  
    STREAMSTATE_RUN           = 1  
} STREAM_STATE;
```

### Values

#### **STREAMSTATE\_STOP**

Stop state.

#### **STREAMSTATE\_RUN**

Run state.

### Remarks

Change the state by calling the IMultiMediaStream::SetState method.

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## STREAM\_TYPE

### Multimedia Streaming Data Types

Defines the direction of data flow for the stream.

```
typedef enum {  
    STREAMTYPE_READ           = 0,  
    STREAMTYPE_WRITE         = 1,  
    STREAMTYPE_TRANSFORM= 2  
} STREAM_TYPE;
```

### Values

#### **STREAMTYPE\_READ**

Application can read the stream.

#### **STREAMTYPE\_WRITE**

Application can write to the stream.

#### **STREAMTYPE\_TRANSFORM**

Application reads and writes the stream.

### Remarks

Transform streams are read/write where the sample is updated in place.

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## Error and Success Codes for Multimedia Streaming

The following list contains error messages and success notifications for applications that use the multimedia streaming interfaces. This list does not contain all possible errors; the errors shown apply specifically to DirectShow implementation of the multimedia streaming interfaces. Note that success codes start with MS\_S and return TRUE from the `SUCCEEDED` COM macro and FALSE from the `COM_FAILED` macro.

Message	Hexadecimal code	Meaning
<b>MS_S_PENDING</b>	0x00040001	Sample update is not yet complete.
<b>MS_S_NOUPDATE</b>	0x00040002	Sample was not updated after forced completion.
<b>MS_S_ENDOFSTREAM</b>	0x00040003	End of stream. Sample not updated.
<b>MS_E_SAMPLEALLOC</b>	0x80040401	An <a href="#">IMediaStream</a> object could not be removed from an <a href="#">IMultiMediaStream</a> object because it still contains at least one allocated sample.
<b>MS_E_PURPOSEID</b>	0x80040402	The specified purpose id cannot be used for the call.
<b>MS_E_NOSTREAM</b>	0x80040403	No stream can be found with the specified attributes.
<b>MS_E_NOSEEKING</b>	0x80040404	Seeking not supported for this <a href="#">IMultiMediaStream</a> object.
<b>MS_E_INCOMPATIBLE</b>	0x80040405	The stream formats are not compatible.
<b>MS_E_BUSY</b>	0x80040406	The sample is busy.
<b>MS_E_NOTINIT</b>	0x80040407	The object cannot accept the call because its initialize function or equivalent has not been called.
<b>MS_E_SOURCEALREADYDEFINED</b>	0x80040408	Source already defined.
<b>MS_E_INVALIDSTREAMTYPE</b>	0x80040409	The stream type is not valid for this operation.
<b>MS_E_NOTRUNNING</b>	0x8004040A	The <a href="#">IMultiMediaStream</a> object is not in running state.

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## Multimedia Streaming Component Objects

This article provides a table that describes the various components that Microsoft® DirectShow™ supports. These objects support the multimedia streaming interfaces. This article also includes a diagram that shows the hierarchy of component objects.

### Contents of this article:

- [Component Objects Table](#)
- [Object References Diagram](#)

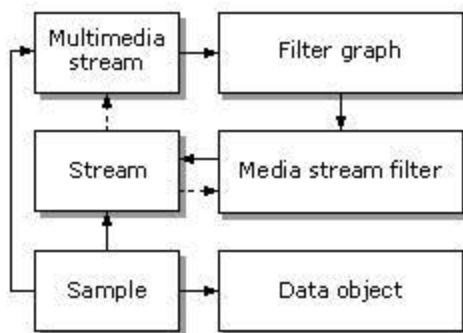
### Component Objects Table

This section describes the various components that are supported by DirectShow.

Object	Description	Interfaces supported
CLSID_AMMultiMediaStream	DirectShow implementation of multimedia stream.	<a href="#">IAMMultiMediaStream</a> , <a href="#">IMultiMediaStream</a>
CLSID_MediaStreamFilter	Provides multimedia streaming functionality for the CLSID_AMMultiMediaStream object through the <a href="#">IAMMultiMediaStream</a> interface.	<a href="#">IBaseFilter</a>
CLSID_AMDirectDrawStream	DirectDraw® media stream that can be added to a DirectShow multimedia stream.	<a href="#">IAMMediaStream</a> , <a href="#">IMediaStream</a> , <a href="#">IDirectDrawMediaStream</a> , <a href="#">IPin</a> , <a href="#">IMemInputPin</a> <a href="#">IStreamSample</a> , <a href="#">IDirectDrawStreamSample</a> , <a href="#">IMediaSample</a>
Samples created by the DirectDraw stream.		
CLSID_AMMediaTypeStream	Can create media samples for any DirectShow-supported data type	<a href="#">IAMMediaStream</a> , <a href="#">IMediaStream</a> , <a href="#">IPin</a> , <a href="#">IMemInputPin</a> <a href="#">IStreamSample</a> , <a href="#">IMediaSample</a> , <a href="#">IMediaSample2</a>
Samples created by the CLSID_AMMediaTypeStream object		
CLSID_AMAudioData	Implementation of <a href="#">IAudioData</a> audio container object	<a href="#">IAudioData</a>

### Object References Diagram

The hierarchy of objects creates some interesting circular references between the DirectShow objects. The following diagram shows all the objects and their references. Strong references (those that increment the referenced object) are indicated by solid lines. Weak references (those that do not AddRef the referenced object) are indicated by a dotted line.



Samples hold strong references to the multimedia stream object, while the media streams do not.

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## Multimedia Streaming Sample Code

This article provides sample code that implements the Multimedia Streaming interfaces. The video streaming sample code demonstrates how to read a file and render it to a primary Microsoft® DirectDraw® surface. This code has no error checking; see [Use Multimedia Streaming in DirectShow Applications](#) for a more thorough, line by line, description of the video streaming code.

The second code sample demonstrates how to use the audio streaming interfaces to stream audio data.

### Contents of this article:

- [Video Streaming Sample Code](#)
- [Audio Streaming Sample Code](#)

### Video Streaming Sample Code

This sample code reads a file and renders it to a primary DirectDraw surface.

```
#include <stdio.h>
#include "ddraw.h"      // DirectDraw interfaces
#include "mmstream.h"  // Multimedia stream interfaces
#include "amstream.h"  // DirectShow multimedia stream interfaces
#include "ddstream.h"  // DirectDraw multimedia stream interfaces

void RenderStreamToSurface(IDirectDrawSurface *pSurface, IMultiMediaStream *pMMStre
{
    IMediaStream *pPrimaryVidStream;
    IDirectDrawMediaStream *pDDStream;
    IDirectDrawStreamSample *pSample;
    RECT rect;
    DDSURFACEDESC ddsd;

    pMMStream->GetMediaStream(MSPID_PrimaryVideo, &pPrimaryVidStream);
    pPrimaryVidStream->QueryInterface(IID_IDirectDrawMediaStream, (void **)&pDI
    ddsd.dwSize = sizeof(ddsd);
    pDDStream->GetFormat(&ddsd, NULL, NULL, NULL);
    rect.top = rect.left = 0;
    rect.bottom = ddsd.dwHeight;
    rect.right = ddsd.dwWidth;
    pDDStream->CreateSample(pSurface, &rect, 0, &pSample);

    pMMStream->SetState(STREAMSTATE_RUN);
    while (pSample->Update(0, NULL, NULL, NULL) == S_OK);
    pMMStream->SetState(STREAMSTATE_STOP);

    pSample->Release();
}
```

```

    pDDStream->Release();
    pPrimaryVidStream->Release();
}

void RenderFileToMMStream(const char * szFileName, IMultiMediaStream **ppMMStream,
{
    IAMMultiMediaStream *pAMStream;
    CoCreateInstance(CLSID_AMMultiMediaStream, NULL, CLSCTX_INPROC_SERVER,
                    IID_IAMMultiMediaStream, (void **)&pAMStream);
    WCHAR    wPath[MAX_PATH]; // Wide (32-bit) string name
    MultiByteToWideChar(CP_ACP, 0, szFileName, -1, wPath,
                        sizeof(wPath)/sizeof(wPath[0]));

    pAMStream->Initialize(STREAMTYPE_READ, AMMSF_NOGRAPHTHREAD, NULL);
    pAMStream->AddMediaStream(pDD, &MSPID_PrimaryVideo, 0, NULL);
    pAMStream->AddMediaStream(NULL, &MSPID_PrimaryAudio, AMMSF_ADDDEFAULTRENDEI
    pAMStream->OpenFile(wPath, 0);
    *ppMMStream = pAMStream;
}

int _CRTAPI1 main(int argc, char *argv[])
{
    if (argc < 2) {
        printf("Usage : showstrm movie.ext\n");
        exit(0);
    }

    DDSURFACEDESC ddsd;
    IDirectDraw *pDD;
    IDirectDrawSurface *pPrimarySurface;
    IMultiMediaStream *pMMStream;

    CoInitialize(NULL);

    DirectDrawCreate(NULL, &pDD, NULL);
    pDD->SetCooperativeLevel(GetDesktopWindow(), DDSCL_NORMAL);
    ddsd.dwSize = sizeof(ddsd);
    ddsd.dwFlags = DDSD_CAPS;
    ddsd.ddsCaps.dwCaps = DDSCAPS_PRIMARYSURFACE;
    pDD->CreateSurface(&ddsd, &pPrimarySurface, NULL);
    RenderFileToMMStream(argv[1], &pMMStream, pDD);
    RenderStreamToSurface(pPrimarySurface, pMMStream);
    pMMStream->Release();
    pPrimarySurface->Release();
    pDD->Release();

    CoUninitialize();
    return 0;
}

```

### Audio Streaming Sample Code

The following code sample demonstrates how to stream audio data using the [IAudioMediaStream](#), [IAudioStreamSample](#), [IMemoryData](#), and [IAudioData](#) interfaces.

```

#include <windows.h>
#include <mmsystem.h>
#include <amstream.h>

/*****

    Trivial wave player stuff

*****/

```



```

class CWaveBuffer;

class CWaveBuffer {
public:
    CWaveBuffer();
    ~CWaveBuffer();
    BOOL Init(HWAVEOUT hWave, int Size);
    void Done();
    BOOL Write(PBYTE pData, int nBytes, int& BytesWritten);
    void Flush();

private:
    WAVEHDR      m_Hdr;
    HWAVEOUT     m_hWave;
    int          m_nBytes;
};

class CWaveOut {
public:
    CWaveOut(LPCWAVEFORMATEX Format, int nBuffers, int BufferSize);
    ~CWaveOut();
    void Write(PBYTE Data, int nBytes);
    void Flush();
    void Wait();
    void Reset();

private:
    const HANDLE      m_hSem;
    const int         m_nBuffers;
    int               m_CurrentBuffer;
    BOOL              m_NoBuffer;
    CWaveBuffer*     *m_Hdrs;
    HWAVEOUT         m_hWave;
};

/*
    CWaveBuffer
*/

CWaveBuffer::CWaveBuffer()
{
}

BOOL CWaveBuffer::Init(HWAVEOUT hWave, int Size)
{
    m_hWave = hWave;
    m_nBytes = 0;

    /* Allocate a buffer and initialize the header */
    m_Hdr.lpData = (LPSTR)LocalAlloc(LMEM_FIXED, Size);
    if (m_Hdr.lpData == NULL) {
        return FALSE;
    }
    m_Hdr.dwBufferLength = Size;
    m_Hdr.dwBytesRecorded = 0;
    m_Hdr.dwUser = 0;
    m_Hdr.dwFlags = 0;
    m_Hdr.dwLoops = 0;
    m_Hdr.lpNext = 0;
    m_Hdr.reserved = 0;

    /* Prepare it */
    waveOutPrepareHeader(hWave, &m_Hdr, sizeof(WAVEHDR));
}

```

```

    return TRUE;
}

CWaveBuffer::~CWaveBuffer() {
    if (m_Hdr.lpData) {
        waveOutUnprepareHeader(m_hWave, &m_Hdr, sizeof(WAVEHDR));
        LocalFree(m_Hdr.lpData);
    }
}

void CWaveBuffer::Flush()
{
    //ASSERT(m_nBytes != 0);
    m_nBytes = 0;
    waveOutWrite(m_hWave, &m_Hdr, sizeof(WAVEHDR));
}

BOOL CWaveBuffer::Write(PBYTE pData, int nBytes, int& BytesWritten)
{
    //ASSERT((DWORD)m_nBytes != m_Hdr.dwBufferLength);
    BytesWritten = min((int)m_Hdr.dwBufferLength - m_nBytes, nBytes);
    CopyMemory((PVOID)(m_Hdr.lpData + m_nBytes), (PVOID)pData, BytesWritten);
    m_nBytes += BytesWritten;
    if (m_nBytes == (int)m_Hdr.dwBufferLength) {
        /* Write it! */
        m_nBytes = 0;
        waveOutWrite(m_hWave, &m_Hdr, sizeof(WAVEHDR));
        return TRUE;
    }
    return FALSE;
}

void CALLBACK WaveCallback(HWAVEOUT hWave, UINT uMsg, DWORD dwUser, DWORD dw1, DWOR
{
    if (uMsg == WOM_DONE) {
        ReleaseSemaphore((HANDLE)dwUser, 1, NULL);
    }
}

/*
CWaveOut
*/

CWaveOut::CWaveOut(LPCWAVEFORMATEX Format, int nBuffers, int BufferSize) :
    m_nBuffers(nBuffers),
    m_CurrentBuffer(0),
    m_NoBuffer(TRUE),
    m_hSem(CreateSemaphore(NULL, nBuffers, nBuffers, NULL)),
    m_Hdrs(new CWaveBuffer[nBuffers]),
    m_hWave(NULL)
{
    /* Create wave device */
    waveOutOpen(&m_hWave,
                WAVE_MAPPER,
                Format,
                (DWORD)WaveCallback,
                (DWORD)m_hSem,
                CALLBACK_FUNCTION);

    /* Initialize the wave buffers */
    for (int i = 0; i < nBuffers; i++) {
        m_Hdrs[i].Init(m_hWave, BufferSize);
    }
}

```

```

CWaveOut::~CWaveOut()
{
    /* First get our buffers back */
    waveOutReset(m_hWave);

    /* Free the buffers */
    delete [] m_Hdrs;

    /* Close the wave device */
    waveOutClose(m_hWave);

    /* Free our semaphore */
    CloseHandle(m_hSem);
}

void CWaveOut::Flush()
{
    if (!m_NoBuffer) {
        m_Hdrs[m_CurrentBuffer].Flush();
        m_NoBuffer = TRUE;
        m_CurrentBuffer = (m_CurrentBuffer + 1) % m_nBuffers;
    }
}

void CWaveOut::Reset()
{
    waveOutReset(m_hWave);
}

void CWaveOut::Write(PBYTE pData, int nBytes)
{
    while (nBytes != 0) {
        /* Get a buffer if necessary */
        if (m_NoBuffer) {
            WaitForSingleObject(m_hSem, INFINITE);
            m_NoBuffer = FALSE;
        }

        /* Write into a buffer */
        int nWritten;
        if (m_Hdrs[m_CurrentBuffer].Write(pData, nBytes, nWritten)) {
            m_NoBuffer = TRUE;
            m_CurrentBuffer = (m_CurrentBuffer + 1) % m_nBuffers;
            nBytes -= nWritten;
            pData += nWritten;
        } else {
            //ASSERT(nWritten == nBytes);
            break;
        }
    }
}

void CWaveOut::Wait()
{
    /* Send any remaining buffers */
    Flush();

    /* Wait for our buffers back */
    for (int i = 0; i < m_nBuffers; i++) {
        WaitForSingleObject(m_hSem, INFINITE);
    }
    LONG lPrevCount;
}

```

```

    ReleaseSemaphore(m_hSem, m_nBuffers, &lPrevCount);
}

/*****

End of wave player stuff

*****/

HRESULT RenderStreamToDevice(IMultiMediaStream *pMMStream)
{
    WAVEFORMATEX wfx;
    #define DATA_SIZE 5000
    PBYTE pBuffer = (PBYTE)LocalAlloc(LMEM_FIXED, DATA_SIZE);

    IMediaStream *pStream;
    IAudioStreamSample *pSample;
    IAudioMediaStream *pAudioStream;
    IAudioData *pAudioData;

    pMMStream->GetMediaStream(MSPID_PrimaryAudio, &pStream);
    pStream->QueryInterface(IID_IAudioMediaStream, (void **)&pAudioStream);
    pAudioStream->GetFormat(&wfx);
    CoCreateInstance(CLSID_AMAudioData, NULL, CLSCTX_INPROC_SERVER,
                    IID_IAudioData, (void **)&pAudioData);
    pAudioData->SetBuffer(DATA_SIZE, pBuffer, 0);
    pAudioData->SetFormat(&wfx);
    pAudioStream->CreateSample(pAudioData, 0, &pSample);
    HANDLE hEvent = CreateEvent(FALSE, NULL, NULL, FALSE);
    CWaveOut WaveOut(&wfx, 4, 2048);
    int iTimes;
    for (iTimes = 0; iTimes < 3; iTimes++) {
        DWORD dwStart = timeGetTime();
        for (; ; ) {
            HRESULT hr = pSample->Update(0, hEvent, NULL, 0);
            if (FAILED(hr) || MS_S_ENDOFSTREAM == hr) {
                break;
            }
            WaitForSingleObject(hEvent, INFINITE);
            DWORD dwTimeDiff = timeGetTime() - dwStart;
            // We'll get bored after about 10 seconds
            if (dwTimeDiff > 10000) {
                break;
            }
            DWORD dwLength;
            pAudioData->GetInfo(NULL, NULL, &dwLength);
            WaveOut.Write(pBuffer, dwLength);
        }
        pMMStream->Seek(0);
    }

    pAudioData->Release();
    pSample->Release();
    pStream->Release();
    pAudioStream->Release();
    LocalFree((HLOCAL)pBuffer);

    return S_OK;
}

HRESULT RenderFileToMMStream(WCHAR * pszFileName, IMultiMediaStream **ppMMStream)
{
    IAMMultiMediaStream *pAMStream;

```

```
CoCreateInstance(CLSID_AMMultiMediaStream, NULL, CLSCTX_INPROC_SERVER,
                IID_IAMMultiMediaStream, (void **)&pAMStream);
pAMStream->Initialize(STREAMTYPE_READ, AMMSF_NOGRAPHTHREAD, NULL);
pAMStream->AddMediaStream(NULL, &MSPID_PrimaryAudio, 0, NULL);
pAMStream->OpenFile(pszFileName, AMMSF_RUN);
*ppMMStream = pAMStream;
return S_OK;
}

int _CRTAPI1 main(int argc, char *argv[])
{
    IMultiMediaStream *pMMStream;
    CoInitialize(NULL);
    WCHAR wszName[1000];
    MultiByteToWideChar(CP_ACP, 0, argv[1], -1, wszName,
                       sizeof(wszName) / sizeof(wszName[0]));
    RenderFileToMMStream(wszName, &pMMStream);
    RenderStreamToDevice(pMMStream);
    pMMStream->Release();
    CoUninitialize();
    return 0;
}
```

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## DirectDrawEx

This section contains an overview of the DirectDrawEx dynamic-link library, which extends the current functionality of Microsoft® DirectDraw®. It also contains reference material for the DirectDrawEx interfaces, [IDirectDrawFactory](#) and [IDirectDraw3](#).

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## Using DirectDrawEx

This article provides a brief overview of DirectDrawEx and how it extends the functionality of a DirectDraw object as described in the Microsoft DirectX® SDK.

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### What Is DirectDrawEx?

DirectDrawEx is a dynamic-link library (DLL) that extends current functionality of DirectDraw, enhancing existing features and providing new functionality. DirectDrawEx also exposes new interfaces that applications can use when you include the Ddrawex.h header file.

To create a DirectDraw object that can use the extended features provided by DirectDrawEx, you must create the object by using the [IDirectDrawFactory](#) interface. A DirectDraw object created with the **IDirectDrawFactory** interface will support the [IDirectDraw3](#) interface, aggregation of DirectDraw surfaces, data exchange, and palette mapping, in addition to the features of DirectDraw objects described in the DirectX SDK.

### Advantages of Using DirectDrawEx

The primary advantage of creating a `DirectDraw` object through the `IDirectDrawFactory` interface is that it exposes the `IDirectDraw3` interface. The **IDirectDraw3** interface inherits all the functionality of the `IDirectDraw` and the `IDirectDraw2` interfaces and provides a new method that can retrieve a pointer to an `IDirectDrawSurface` interface, given a handle to a device context.

To obtain the `IDirectDraw3` interface, you must call the `IDirectDrawFactory::CreateDirectDraw` method to create the `DirectDraw` object and expose the `IUnknown` and `IDirectDraw` interfaces. Applications can then call `QueryInterface` to obtain a pointer to the **IDirectDraw3** interface. To view sample code that demonstrates this, see [Creating DirectDraw Objects and Surfaces with DirectDrawEx](#).

Another advantage of using `DirectDrawEx` over using `DirectDraw` is that you can now aggregate inner objects with outer objects by using the `IDirectDraw3::CreateSurface` method. Formerly, `IDirectDraw::CreateSurface` and `IDirectDraw2::CreateSurface` did not provide COM aggregation features. For a thorough description of how `IDirectDraw3` implements aggregation see, **IDirectDraw3::CreateSurface**.

Finally, `DirectDrawEx` now also provides the `DDSCAPS_DATAEXCHANGE` flag for the `DDSCAPS` structure's `dwcaps` member. When a surface is created using the `DDSCAPS_DATAEXCHANGE` flag, the surface will automatically be moved into video memory if there is enough video memory available, otherwise a system memory surface will be created. This stabilizes video memory surfaces and ensures that they will not be lost, even if system memory decides to move them into video memory in the future.

### Creating DirectDraw Objects and Surfaces with DirectDrawEx

The following sample code demonstrates how to create a `DirectDraw` object by using `DirectDrawEx`, and get a pointer to the `IDirectDraw3` interface. The code shows how to create and call `DirectDraw` objects.

```
#include ddrawex.h

void CreateDDEX()
{
    //Declarations
    HRESULT      hr;
    IDirectDraw  *pDD;
    IDirectDraw3 *pDD3;
    IDirectDrawFactory *pDDF;

    //Initialize COM library
    CoInitialize(NULL);

    //Create a DirectDrawFactory object and get
    //an IDirectDrawFactory interface pointer.
    CoCreateInstance(CLSID_DirectDrawFactory, NULL, CLSCTX_INPROC_SERVER,
                    IID_IDirectDrawFactory, (void *)0, &pDDF);

    //Call the IDirectDrawFactory::CreateDirectDraw method to create the
    //DirectDraw surface, set the cooperative level, and get the address
    //of an IDirectDraw interface pointer.
    hr = (pDDF->CreateDirectDraw(NULL, GetDesktopWindow(), DDSCL_NORMAL,
                                NULL, NULL, &pDD));
}
```

```

    if (hr !=DD_OK) { //error checking
    }

    //Now query for the new IDirectDraw3 interface, and release the old one.
    hr = (pDD->QueryInterface(IID_IDirectDraw3, (LPVOID*)&pDD3));

    if (hr !=S_OK) { //error checking
    }

    //Release IDirectDraw.
    pDD->Release();
    pDD= NULL;

    //Initialize the DDSURFACEDESC structure for the primary surface.
    ZeroMemory(&ddsd, sizeof(ddsd));
    ddsd.dwSize = sizeof(ddsd);
    ddsd.dwFlags = DDSD_CAPS;
    ddsd.ddsCaps.dwCaps = DDSCAPS_PRIMARYSURFACE;
    hr = pDD3->CreateSurface(&ddsd, &pPrimarySurface, NULL);

    //Do whatever you need to do in your application here with your
    //DirectDraw surface.

    //Release IDirectDraw3, IDirectDrawFactory, and the DirectDraw surface.
    pDD3->Release();
    pDDF->Release();
    pPrimarySurface->Release();

    //Close the COM library
    CoUninitialize();
}

```

## Distinctions Between DirectDraw and DirectDrawEx

One important distinction to note between DirectDrawEx and DirectDraw is that applications that have created multiple [DirectDrawSurface](#) objects through a DirectDrawEx surface must release every DirectDraw surface.

Also, calling the [GetDDInterface](#) method from any surface created under DirectDrawEx will return a pointer to the [IUnknown](#) interface instead of a pointer to an [IDirectDraw](#) interface. Applications must use the [IUnknown::QueryInterface](#) method to retrieve the **IDirectDraw**, [IDirectDraw2](#), or [IDirectDraw3](#) interfaces.

Finally, DirectDrawEx does not currently support blitting between surfaces created by DirectDrawEx and surfaces created by DirectDraw. Applications should blit only between similar surfaces.

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## IDirectDrawFactory Interface



The **IDirectDrawFactory** interface is used to create and enumerate DirectDraw objects that support the extended features of DirectDrawEx (see [Using DirectDrawEx](#) for more information).

### When to Implement

Do not implement this interface; DirectDrawEx implements it for you.

### When to Use

Use this interface in an application when you want to create a DirectDrawEx object.

### Methods in Vtable Order

#### IUnknown methods

<a href="#">QueryInterface</a>	Retrieves pointers to supported interfaces.
<a href="#">AddRef</a>	Increments the reference count.
<a href="#">Release</a>	Decrements the reference count.

#### IDirectDrawFactory methods

	Description
<a href="#">CreateDirectDraw</a>	Creates a DirectDraw object and retrieves pointers to the <a href="#">IUnknown</a> and the <a href="#">IDirectDraw</a> interfaces.
<a href="#">DirectDrawEnumerate</a>	Enumerates the DirectDraw surfaces installed on the system.

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## IDirectDrawFactory::CreateDirectDraw

### [IDirectDrawFactory](#) Interface

Creates a DirectDraw object and retrieves pointers to the [IUnknown](#) and [IDirectDraw](#) interfaces.

```
STDMETHOD CreateDirectDraw(
    GUID * pGUID,
    HWND hWnd,
    DWORD dwCoopLevelFlags,
    DWORD dwReserved,
    IUnknown *pUnkOuter,
    IDirectDraw **ppDirectDraw
) PURE;
```

## Parameters

### *pGUID*

[out] Pointer to the globally unique identifier (**GUID**) that represents the driver to be created. Set this to **NULL** to indicate the active display driver, or you can pass one of the following flags to restrict the active display driver's behavior for debugging purposes:

Value	Meaning
<b>DDCREATE_EMULATIONONLY</b>	The DirectDraw object will use emulation for all features; it will not take advantage of any hardware-supported features.
<b>DDCREATE_HARDWAREONLY</b>	The DirectDraw object will never emulate features not supported by the hardware. Attempts to call methods that require unsupported features will fail, returning <b>DDERR_UNSUPPORTED</b> (operation not supported).

### *hWnd*

[in] Window handle to the application.

### *dwCoopLevelFlags*

[in] Application's top-level behavior. Specify one or more of the following flags:

Value	Meaning
<b>DDSCL_ALLOWMODEX</b>	Enables the use of Mode X display modes. You must use this flag with the <b>DDSCL_EXCLUSIVE</b> and <b>DDSCL_FULLSCREEN</b> flags.
<b>DDSCL_ALLOWREBOOT</b>	Enables the user to reboot by pressing <b>CTRL+ALT+DEL</b> while the application is in full-screen exclusive mode.
<b>DDSCL_EXCLUSIVE</b>	Requests the exclusive level. You must use this flag with the <b>DDSCL_FULLSCREEN</b> flag. At the full screen and exclusive cooperative level, you can use the hardware to its fullest. In this mode, you can set custom and dynamic palettes, change display resolutions, compact memory, and implement page flipping. The exclusive (full-screen) mode does not prevent other applications from allocating surfaces, nor does it exclude them from using DirectDraw or GDI. However, it does prevent applications other than the one currently with exclusive access from changing the display mode or palette.
<b>DDSCL_FULLSCREEN</b>	Indicates that the exclusive-mode owner will be in control of the entire primary surface. You must use this flag with the <b>DDSCL_EXCLUSIVE</b> flag.
<b>DDSCL_NORMAL</b>	Indicates that the application will function as a regular Windows® application. You can't use this flag with the <b>DDSCL_ALLOWMODEX</b> , <b>DDSCL_EXCLUSIVE</b> , or <b>DDSCL_FULLSCREEN</b> flags.
<b>DDSCL_NOWINDOWCHANGES</b>	Indicates that DirectDraw can't minimize or restore the application window when the application is activated.

### *dwReserved*

[in] Reserved for future use. Must be **NULL**.

### *pUnkOuter*

[in] Pointer to an **IUnknown** interface on an outer object that will be aggregated with an inner object's **IUnknown** interface.

### *ppDirectDraw*

[out] Address of a pointer to an **IDirectDraw** interface.

## Return Values

Returns DD\_OK if successful, or one of the following error values otherwise:

Value	Meaning
E_OUTOFMEMORY	There isn't enough memory available to create a DirectDraw object.
DDERR_GENERIC	There is an undefined error condition.
DDERR_UNSUPPORTED	DirectDraw doesn't support the operation.
DDERR_DIRECTDRAWALREADYCREATED	A DirectDrawEx object representing this driver has already been created for this process.
DDERR_INVALIDDIRECTDRAWGUID	The <u>GUID</u> passed to this method is not a valid DirectDrawEx driver identifier.
DDERR_INVALIDPARAMS	One or more of the parameters passed to the method are incorrect.
DDERR_NODIRECTDRAWHW	Hardware-only DirectDrawEx object creation isn't possible; the driver doesn't support any hardware.

## Remarks

This method creates DirectDraw objects in the same way that the DirectDrawCreate function is used to create DirectDraw objects, and sets cooperative levels the same way the IDirectDraw2::SetCooperativeLevel method sets cooperative levels. However, in addition to creating a DirectDraw object, successful calls to the **IDirectDrawFactory::CreateDirectDraw** method will obtain a pointer to the IUnknown and IDirectDraw interfaces, which are exposed on the DirectDraw object. Applications can now query the DirectDraw object to obtain the address of a pointer to an IDirectDraw3 interface.

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## IDirectDrawFactory::DirectDrawEnumerate

### IDirectDrawFactory Interface

Enumerates the DirectDraw objects installed on the system.

```
STDMETHOD DirectDrawEnumerate(
    LPDDENUMCALLBACK lpCallback,
    LPVOID lpContext
) PURE;
```

### Parameters

***lpCallback***

[in] Pointer to a [DDEnumCallback](#) function that will be called with a description of each DirectDrawEx-enabled hardware abstraction layer (HAL) installed in the system.

***lpContext***

[in] Address of an application-defined structure that the system will pass to the callback function each time the function is called.

**Return Values**

Returns DD\_OK if successful, or DDERR\_INVALIDPARAMS otherwise.

**Remarks**

This method functions in a similar manner to the **DirectDrawEnumerate** function, defined in the DirectX SDK.

Your application can call this method only after a successful call to the [IDirectDrawFactory::CreateDirectDraw](#) method.

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## IDirectDraw3 Interface

The **IDirectDraw3** interface is available to applications that have created a DirectDraw object through the [IDirectDrawFactory::CreateDirectDraw](#) method. This method retrieves the address of a pointer to an [IDirectDraw](#) interface, which your application can use to query for the **IDirectDraw3** interface.

The **IDirectDraw3** interface extends the [IDirectDraw](#) and the [IDirectDraw2](#) interfaces by adding the [IDirectDraw3::GetSurfaceFromDC](#) method and providing new behavior for the [IDirectDraw3::CreateSurface](#) method (formerly [IDirectDraw2::CreateSurface](#)). This section provides information on the new behavior of the [CreateSurface](#) method. See the DirectX SDK for information on the original behavior of this and all other **IDirectDraw** and **IDirectDraw2** methods as they relate to DirectDraw objects.

For more information on additional functionality provided by DirectDrawEx, see [Using DirectDrawEx](#).

**When to Implement**

Do not implement this interface; DirectDrawEx implements it for you.

**When to Use**

Applications use this interface when they have created a DirectDraw object through a successful call to the [IDirectDrawFactory::CreateDirectDraw](#) method. Applications can use this

interface to get an [IDirectDrawSurface](#) interface pointer directly from a handle to a device context.

### Methods in Vtable Order

#### IUnknown methods Description

<a href="#">QueryInterface</a>	Retrieves pointers to supported interfaces.
<a href="#">AddRef</a>	Increments the reference count.
<a href="#">Release</a>	Decrements the reference count.

#### IDirectDraw3 methods Description

<a href="#">CreateSurface</a>	Creates a DirectDrawSurface object from a DirectDraw object.
<a href="#">GetSurfaceFromDC</a>	Retrieves a pointer to an <a href="#">IDirectDrawSurface</a> interface from a handle to a device context.

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## IDirectDraw3::CreateSurface

### [IDirectDraw3](#) Interface

Creates a DirectDrawSurface object from a DirectDraw object.

```
STDMETHOD CreateSurface(  
    LPDDSURFACEDESC lpDDSurfaceDesc,  
    LPDIRECTDRAW3 FAR *lpDDS,  
    IUnknown FAR *pUnkOuter  
    ) PURE;
```

### Parameters

#### *lpDDSurfaceDesc*

[in] Pointer to the [DDSURFACEDESC](#) structure that describes the requested surface. You should set any unused members of **DDSURFACEDESC** to zero before calling this method. A [DDSCAPS](#) structure is a member of **DDSURFACEDESC**.

#### *lpDDS*

[out] Address of a pointer to be initialized with a valid DirectDrawSurface pointer if the call succeeds.

#### *pUnkOuter*

[in] Pointer to an [IUnknown](#) interface on an outer object that will be aggregated with an inner object's **IUnknown** interface.

### Return Values

Returns DD\_OK if successful, or one of the following error values otherwise:

Value	Meaning
DDERR_INCOMPATIBLEPRIMARY	The primary surface creation request does not match the existing primary surface.
DDERR_INVALIDCAPS	One or more of the capability bits passed to the callback function are incorrect.
DDERR_INVALIDOBJECT	DirectDraw received a pointer to an invalid DirectDraw object.
DDERR_INVALIDPARAMS	One or more of the parameters passed to the method are incorrect.
DDERR_INVALIDPIXELFORMAT	The pixel format was invalid as specified.
DDERR_NOALPHAHW	No alpha acceleration hardware is present or available, which caused the requested operation to fail.
DDERR_NOCOOPERATIVELEVELSET	The <code>IDirectDraw2::SetCooperativeLevel</code> method was not called before the surface was created.
DDERR_NODIRECTDRAWHW	Hardware-only DirectDraw object creation isn't possible; the driver doesn't support any hardware.
DDERR_NOEMULATION	Software emulation isn't available.
DDERR_NOEXCLUSIVEMODE	The operation requires the application to have exclusive mode, but the application doesn't have exclusive mode.
DDERR_NOFLIPHW	Flipping visible surfaces isn't supported.
DDERR_NOMIPMAPHW	The operation can't be carried out because no mipmap texture mapping hardware is present or available.
DDERR_NOOVERLAYHW	The operation can't be carried out because no overlay hardware is present or available.
DDERR_NOZBUFFERHW	The operation to create a z-buffer in display memory or to perform a blit using a z-buffer can't be carried out because there is no hardware support for z-buffers.
DDERR_OUTOFMEMORY	DirectDraw doesn't have enough available memory to perform the operation.
DDERR_OUTOFVIDEOMEMORY	DirectDraw doesn't have enough display memory to perform the operation.
DDERR_PRIMARYSURFACEALREADYEXISTS	The application has already created a primary surface.
DDERR_UNSUPPORTEDMODE	The operation isn't supported.

### Remarks

Passing in NULL for the *pUnkOuter* parameter will return the address of a DirectDraw surface in the *lpDDSurface* parameter. However, if you pass in a pointer to an outer interface you want to aggregate with an inner interface, you will get back an IUnknown pointer for the *lpDDSurface* parameter.

DirectDrawEx now also provides the DDSCAPS\_DATAEXCHANGE flag for the *dwcaps* member of the DDSCAPS structure, which is defined as a combination of DDSCAPS\_SYSTEMMEMORY and

DDSCAPS\_VIDEOMEMORY in Ddrawex.h. When a surface is created using the DDSCAPS\_DATAEXCHANGE flag, the surface will be automatically moved into video memory if there is enough video memory available; otherwise, a system memory surface will be created. Also, setting this flag in conjunction with the DDSCAPS\_OWNDC flag enables applications to call the `IDirectDrawSurface::GetDC` method to lock the device context for as long they require, without holding a lock on the surface.

This method calls the `IDirectDraw::CreateSurface` and `IDirectDraw2::CreateSurface` methods.

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## IDirectDraw3::GetSurfaceFromDC

### IDirectDraw3 Interface

Retrieves a pointer to an `IDirectDrawSurface` interface from a handle to a device context.

```
STDMETHOD GetSurfaceFromDC(
    HDC hdc,
    IDirectDrawSurface **ppSurface
) PURE;
```

### Parameters

*hdc*

[in] Handle of the device context (DC).

*ppSurface*

[out] Address of a pointer to an `IDirectDrawSurface` interface.

### Return Values

Returns S\_OK if successful, or one of the following values otherwise:

Value	Meaning
E_POINTER	Invalid pointer to <code>IDirectDrawSurface</code> .
DDERR_NOTFOUND	The requested item wasn't found.

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## Media Types

Microsoft® DirectShow™ uses the `AM_MEDIA_TYPE` structure to describe media samples. This structure includes `GUID` fields for major type, subtype, and format type, as well as fields specifying other sample features, such as whether the samples are compressed. This article summarizes the major type and subtype options registered by DirectShow. These media types are defined in `Uuids.h`.

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### Media Types with No Subtype

The following table describes the media types with no subtype.

#### **MEDIATYPES with no MEDIASUBTYPES**

MEDIATYPE_AnalogAudio	Analog audio connection
MEDIATYPE_File	Media type is a file, used closed captions.
MEDIATYPE_Interleaved	Data is interleaved, used by Digital Video (DV).
MEDIATYPE_Midi	Data is MIDI format.
MEDIATYPE_ScriptCommand	Data is a script command, used by closed captions.
MEDIATYPE_Text	Data is text.
MEDIATYPE_Timecode	Data is timecode data.

### Audio Media Types

The **wFormatTag** field in the [WAVEFORMATEX](#) structure specifies the audio format type. The format type is generally `FORMAT_WaveFormatEx`. Media samples are generally whole number of samples as specified in the **wBitsPerSample** field in the [WAVEFORMATEX](#) structure. This is not necessarily true for MPEG audio samples that can come from packetized streams and are therefore not necessarily packaged on sample / frame boundaries. For MPEG audio the time stamp in a media sample is the time stamp for the first frame whose first byte is contained in the media sample.

Media subtypes are defined for each **wFormatTag** as follows:

- The Data1 subfield of the Media Subtype is the same as the **wFormatTag** value.
- The Data 2 field is 0.
- The Data 3 field is 0x0010.
- The Data 4 field is 0x80, 0x00, 0x00, 0xAA, 0x00, 0x38, 0x9B, 0x71.

Thus, for PCM audio the subtype GUID would be:

```
{00000001-0000-0010-8000-00AA00389B71}
```

Older filters may still use `GUID_NULL` as the subtype so this should be checked for. However, registration of a filter with the explicit subtype greatly improves the speed of graph loading, especially when the given filter is not required. The [CreateAudioMediaType](#) function supplied in the DirectShow SDK can be used to create an [AM\\_MEDIA\\_TYPE](#) structure from a [WAVEFORMATEX Structure](#).

The following table describes the audio media subtypes.

<b>MEDIATYPE_Audio</b>	<b>Data is audio</b>
MEDIASUBTYPE_PCMAudio	PCM audio
MEDIASUBTYPE_MPEG1Packet	MPEG1 Audio packet
MEDIASUBTYPE_MPEG1Payload	MPEG1 Audio Payload

## Line21 Media Types

The following table describes the Line21 closed captioning media subtypes.

<b>MEDIATYPE_AUXLine21Data</b>	<b>Data is Line21 type, used by closed captions</b>
MEDIASUBTYPE_Line21_BytePair	Line21 data as byte pairs
MEDIASUBTYPE_Line21_GOPPacket	Line21 data in DVD GOP Packet
MEDIASUBTYPE_Line21_VBIRawData	Line21 data in raw VBI format

## MPEG2 Media Types

The following table describes the MPEG2 media subtypes.

<b>MEDIATYPE_MPEG2_PES</b>	<b>Data is MPEG2 format, used by DVD</b>
MEDIASUBTYPE_DVD_SUBPICTURE	Subpicture data
MEDIASUBTYPE_DOLBY_AC3	Dolby data
MEDIASUBTYPE_MPEG2_AUDIO	MPEG2 audio data
MEDIASUBTYPE_DVD_LPCM_AUDIO	DVD audio data

## Stream Media Types

Time stamps are byte positions \* 10000000 (notionally 1 byte per second) rather than real times.

The following table describes the stream media subtypes.

<b>MEDIATYPE_Stream</b>	<b>Data is a non-timestamped byte stream</b>
MEDIASUBTYPE_Avi	Data from AVI file
MEDIASUBTYPE_WAVE	Data from WAV file
MEDIASUBTYPE_AU	Data from AU file
MEDIASUBTYPE_AIFF	Data from AIFF file
MEDIASUBTYPE_MPEG1Video	MPEG video
MEDIASUBTYPE_MPEG1System	MPEG system
MEDIASUBTYPE_MPEG1VideoCD	MPEG video CD
MEDIASUBTYPE_MPEG1Audio	MPEG audio
MEDIASUBTYPE_DssVideo	Dss Video
MEDIASUBTYPE_DssAudio	Dss Audio

## Video Media Types

The following table describes the video media subtypes.

<b>MEDIATYPE_Video</b>	<b>Data is video</b>
MEDIASUBTYPE_YVU9	Standard YVU9 format uncompressed data. A planar YUV format. A Y sample at every pixel, a U and V sample at every fourth pixel horizontally on each line; a Y sample on every vertical line, a U and V sample at every fourth vertical line. 9 bits per pixel.
MEDIASUBTYPE_Y411	YUV 411 format data. Same as Y41P.