



PDF/A-3 for preservation

Notes on embedded files and JPEG 2000

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Part 1: Embedded files



PDF/A-3: embedding of *any* file (type)



Key point:

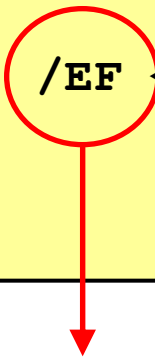
**Use of “embedded files” really means
“embedded file streams” = specific data
structure in PDF!**

File specification dictionary

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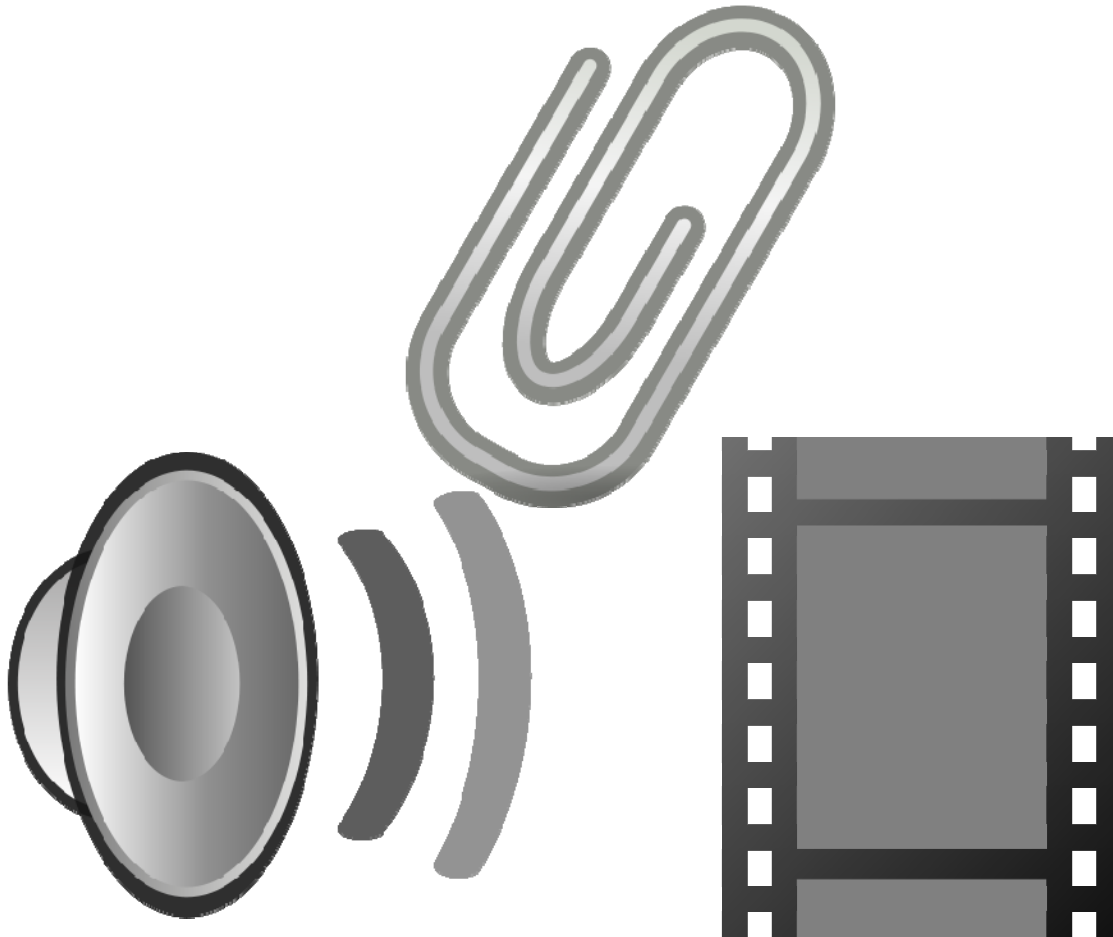
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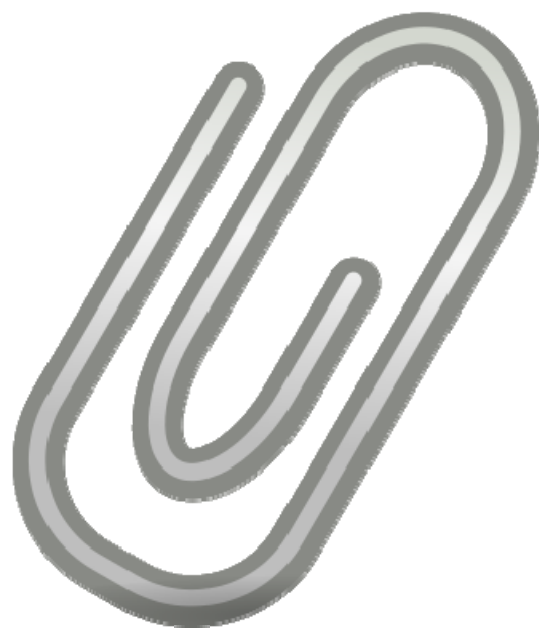
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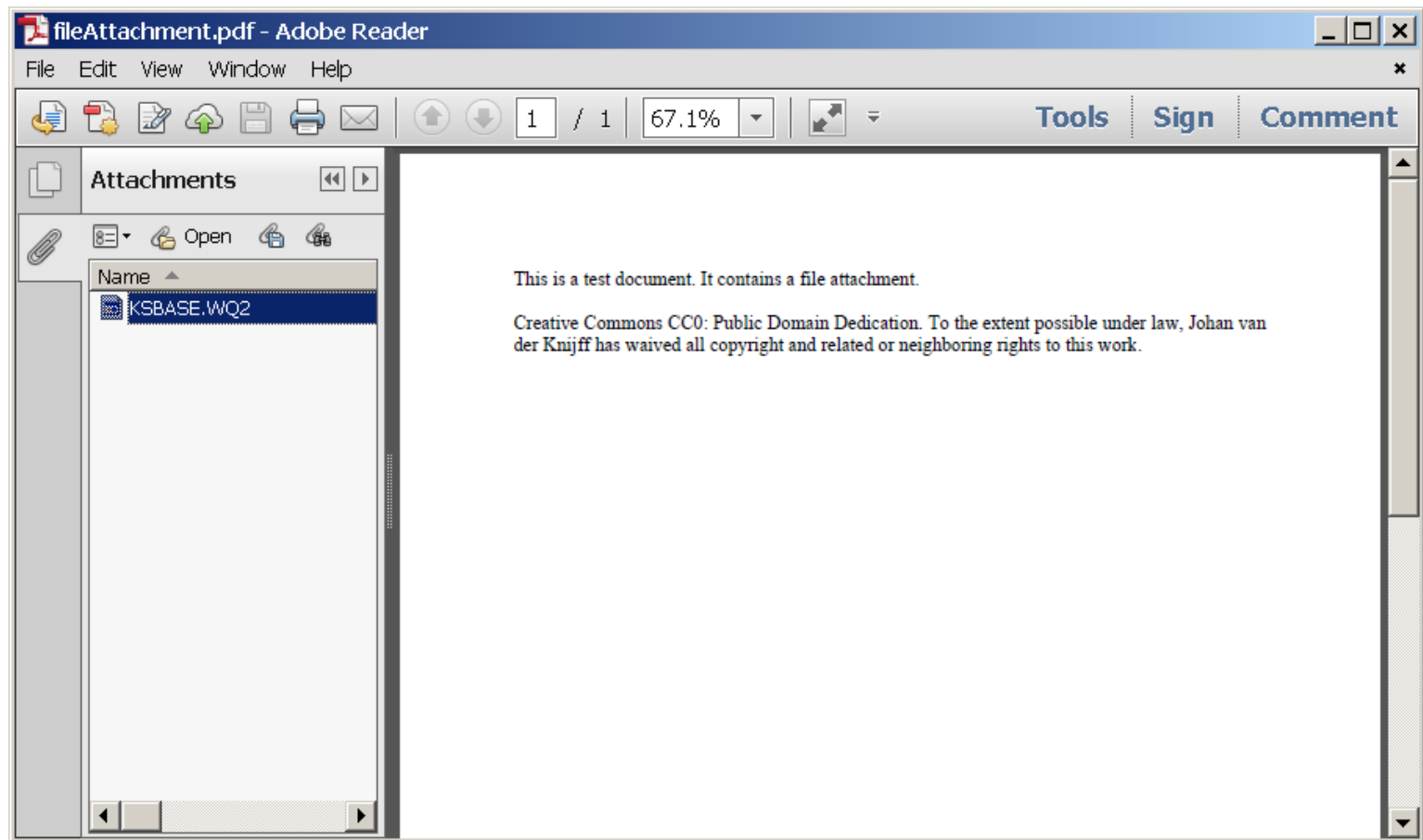
Embedded file stream

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Uses of embedded file streams







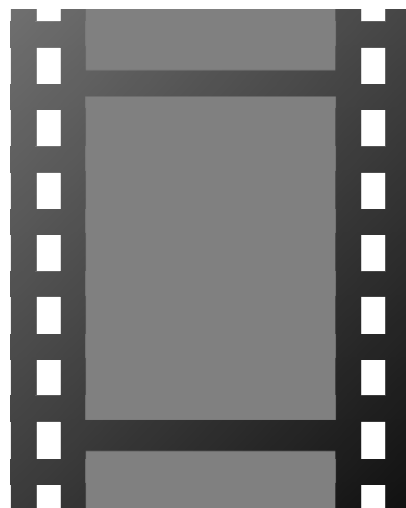
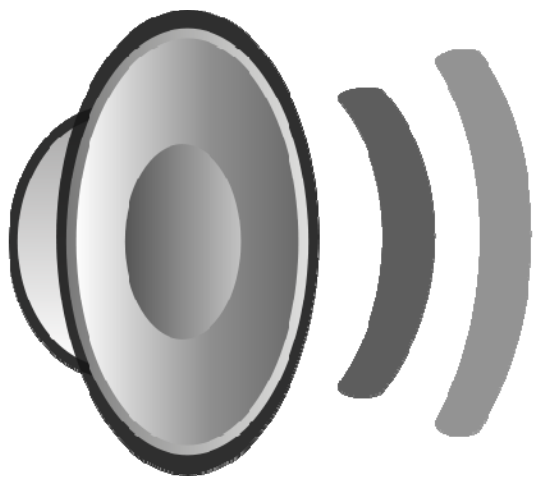
File attachments not meant to be rendered by viewer

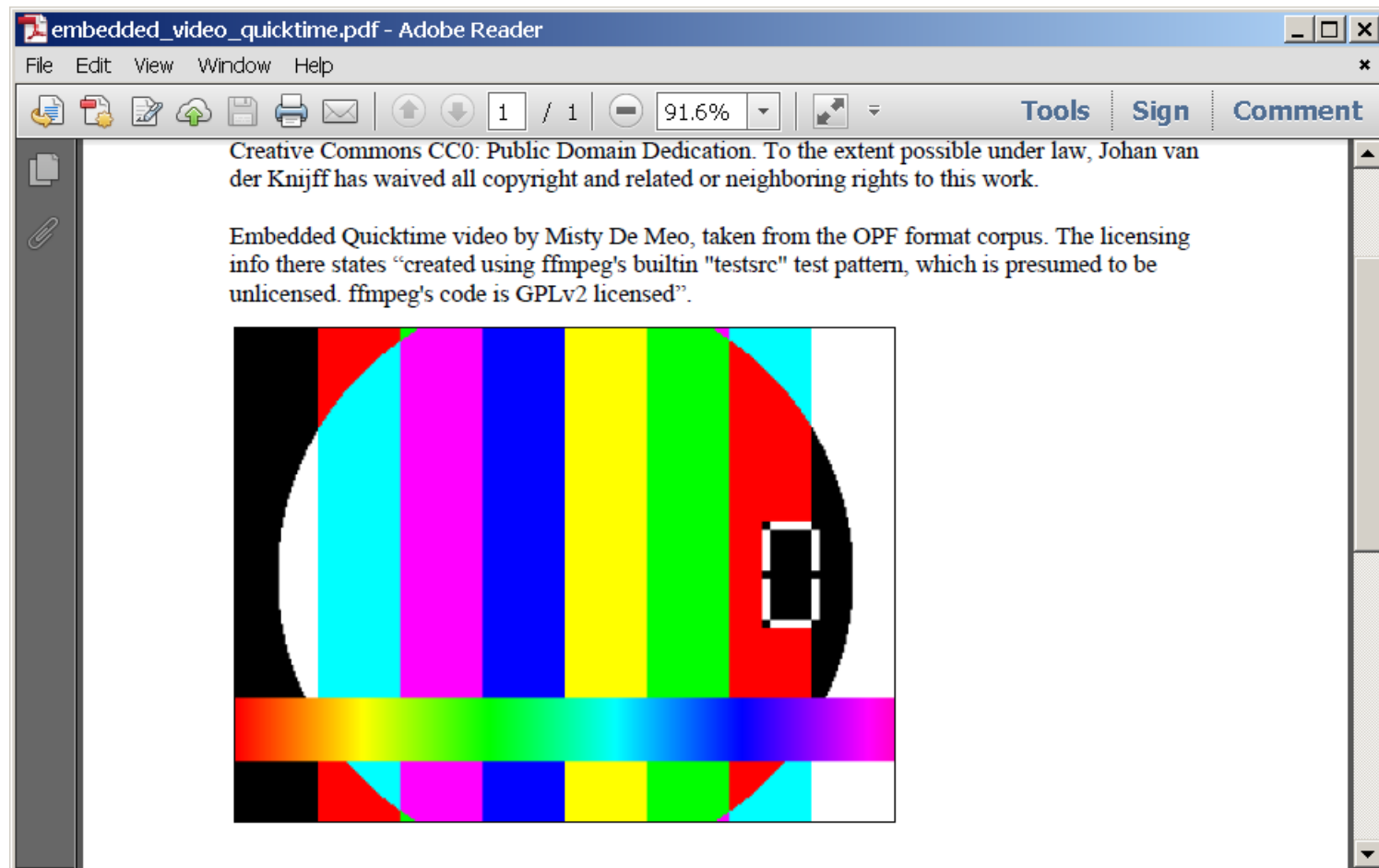
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File attachment annotation

EmbeddedFiles entry in name dictionary





Rendered in/by PDF viewer

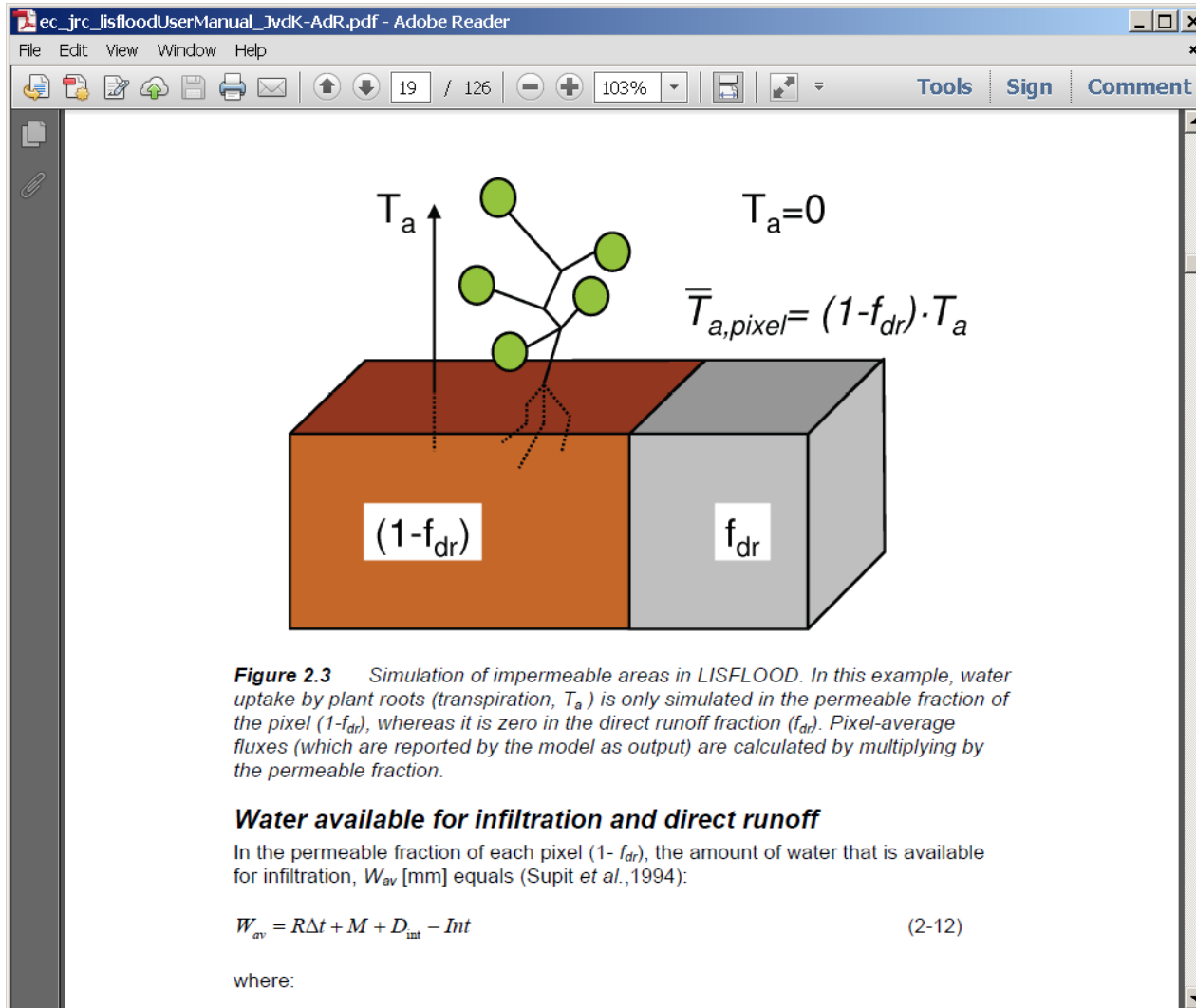
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Rendition actions

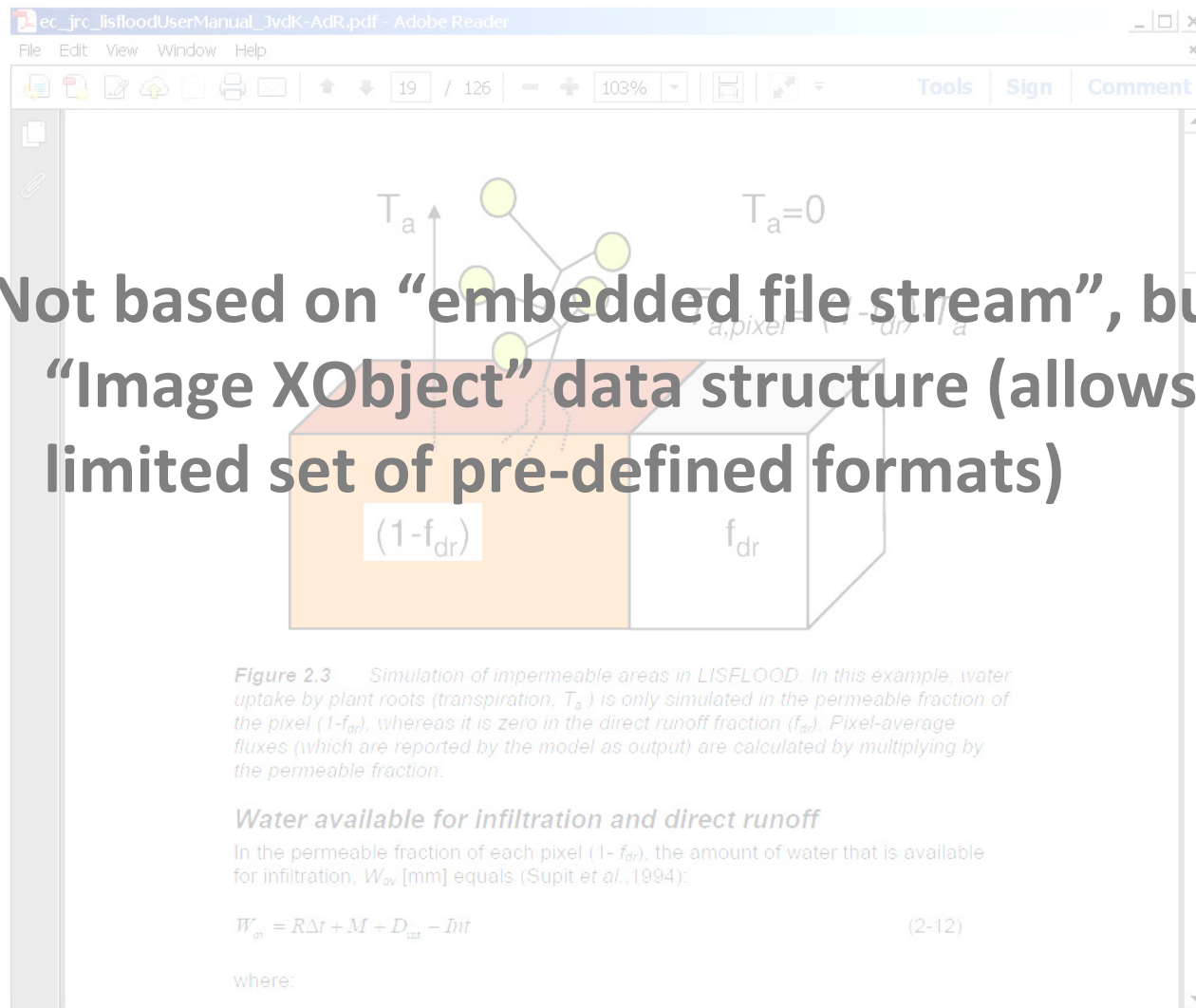
Screen annotations

What about inline images?



What about inline images?

Not based on “embedded file stream”, but on “Image XObject” data structure (allows limited set of pre-defined formats)

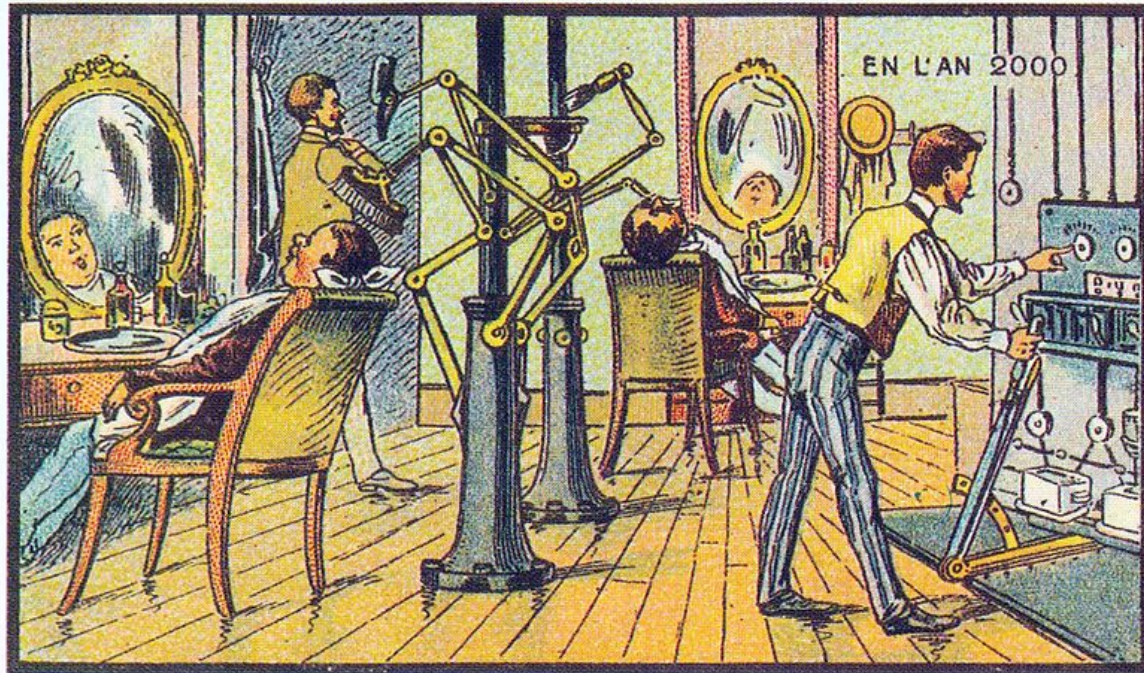


Embedded files wrap-up:

No impact on content that is meant to be rendered by PDF viewer

But PDF/A-3's may contain file of *any* possible format as an attachment

Part 2: JPEG 2000



The New-Fangled Barber

Supported since PDF/A-2

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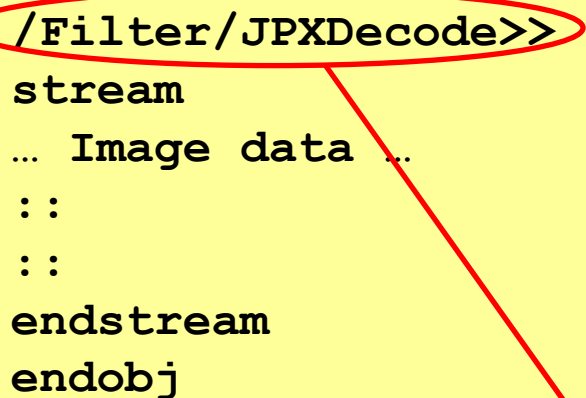
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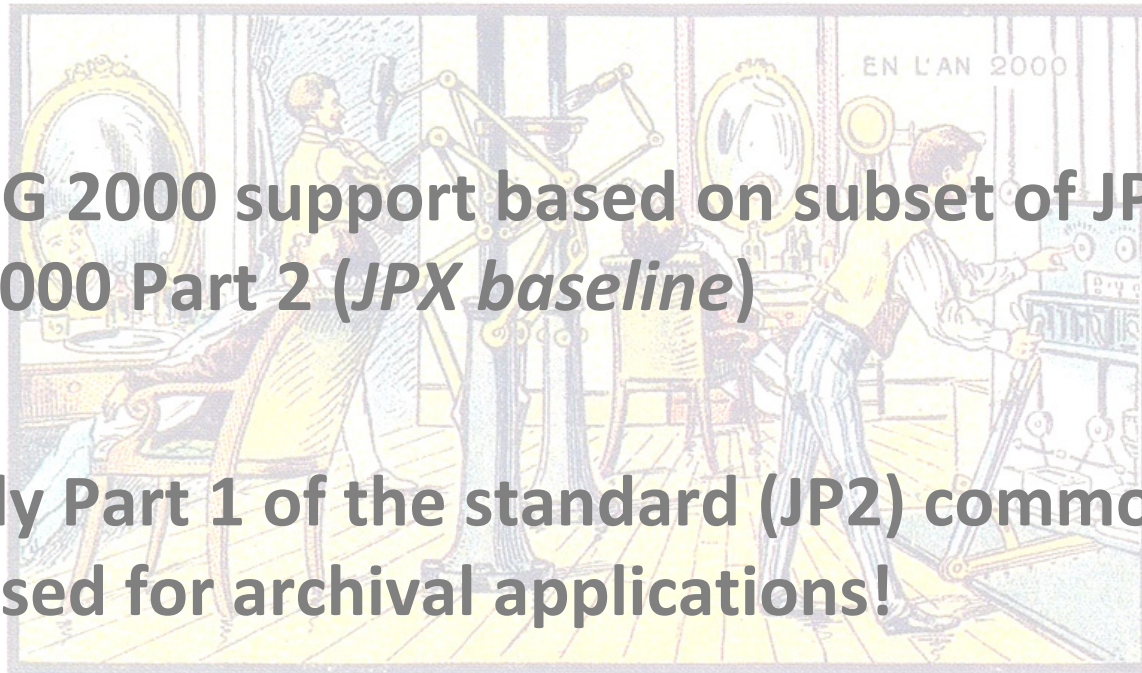


Identifies object as
JPEG 2000 image

ISO 19005-2 (PDF/A-2):

JPEG 2000 support based on subset of JPEG
2000 Part 2 (*JPX baseline*)

Only Part 1 of the standard (JP2) commonly
used for archival applications!



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JP2 vs JPX



JP2

JPEG 2000 Part 1:

Basic still image format

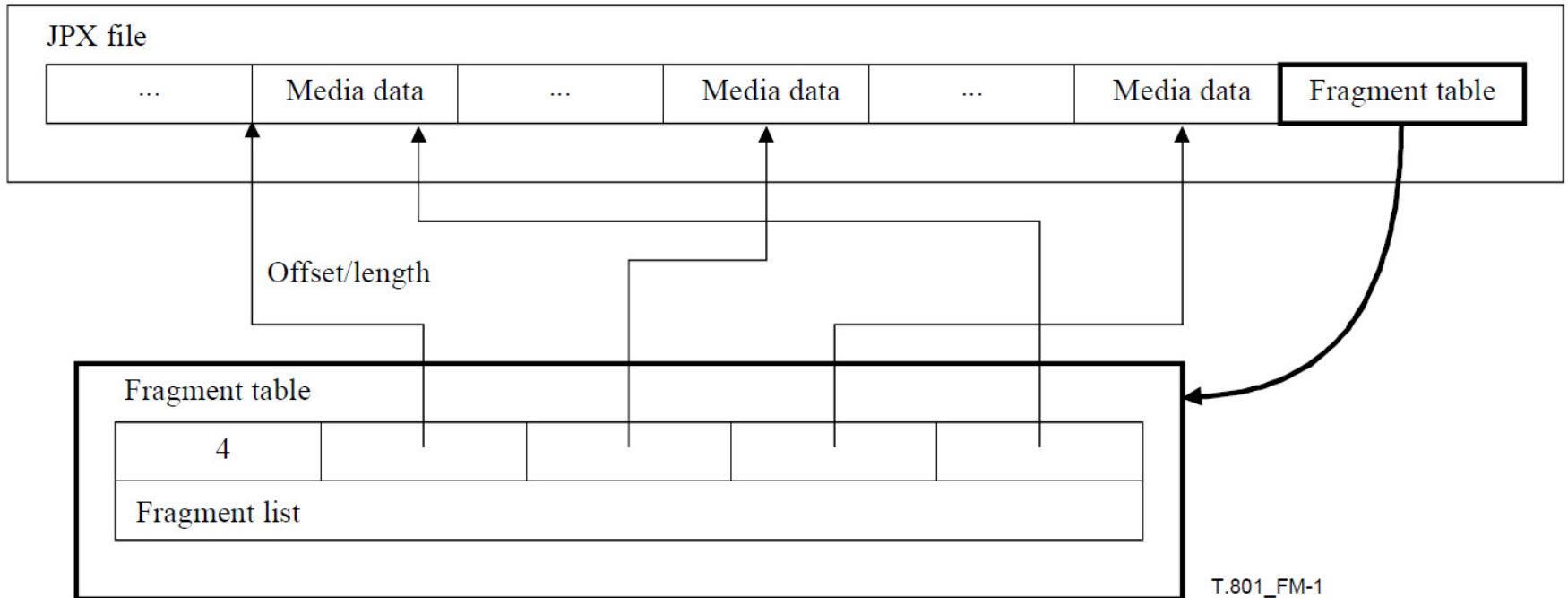


JPX

JPEG 2000 Part 2:

= JP2 + assorted
advanced stuff ...

Fragmented codestreams



Allowed in JPX Baseline!

OS PDF viewers – JPEG 2000 libraries

Ghostscript: OpenJPEG or JasPer

Evince: OpenJPEG

Mupdf: OpenJPEG

Firefox PDF viewer: built-in decoder

**→ None of these libraries support fragmented
codestreams!**

Is it really a problem?

Fragmented codestreams extremely rare

But why is this feature even allowed in a long-term archival format?

OS support of JPEG 2000 in general remains problematic

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