

Upmix

Applicability

This description applies to the Surround (up to 5.1) and Immersive (up to 7.1.4) versions of the Auto Upmix module.

The terms Upmix and Auto Upmix are used interchangeably.

Overview

Upmix is a module for deriving a higher-channel output format from a lower-channel or partially populated input format. It is used to create surround or immersive program paths from available source signals.

The module can also include source fail-over and surround detection behavior, depending on the Processor in which it is used.

Processing Principle

Upmix analyzes the selected source format and generates the configured target format. It can distribute center, surround, side surround, LFE, and height-related components according to the selected upmix mode and related balance settings.

Additional detection and fail-over parameters control how the module reacts to missing or unsuitable input signals.

Parameters

Format and Mode

Parameter - Format and Mode	Description
Source Format	Selects the source channel format used for upmixing.
Target Format	Selects the target channel format generated by the module.
Upmix Mode	Selects the upmix processing mode.
Surround Output Select	Selects which surround output components are generated or used.

Upmix Balance

Parameter - Upmix Balance	Description
Center Gain	Adjusts the generated or routed center channel level.
Upmix Center Divergence	Controls how center content is distributed during upmixing.
Surround Gain	Adjusts the generated surround channel level.
Side Surround Gain (only version 7.1 and 7.1.4)	Adjusts the generated side surround channel level.
Vertical Balance (only version 5.1.4 and 7.1.4)	Controls the balance between lower-layer and upper-layer components in immersive upmixing.
Top Layer Crossover Frequency (only version 5.1.4 and 7.1.4)	Sets the crossover frequency used for top-layer processing.
Top Layer Crossover Direct Mix (only version 5.1.4 and 7.1.4)	Controls direct signal mixing into the top-layer crossover path.

LFE and Center Replacement

Parameter - LFE and Center Replacement	Description
Upmix LFE Enable	Enables or disables generated LFE processing.
Upmix LFE Gain	Adjusts the generated LFE level.
Upmix LFE Cutoff	Sets the cutoff frequency for generated LFE content.
Upmix LFE Effect Gate Threshold	Sets the threshold used for LFE effect gating.
Center Replacement	Enables or configures center replacement behavior.
Center Replacement Center Divergence	Controls how replacement center content is distributed.

Detection and Fail-over

Parameter - Detection and Fail-over	Description
Surround Detection Channels	Selects the channels used for surround detection.
Surround Detection Threshold	Sets the threshold for detecting surround content.
Surround Detection Wait	Sets the wait time before surround detection changes state.
Fail-over Side-chain Filter	Selects or enables filtering for fail-over detection.
Fail-over Fail Threshold	Sets the signal threshold used to detect a failure condition.
Fail-over Fail Wait	Sets how long the fail condition must persist before switching.

Parameter - Detection and Fail-over	Description
Fail-over Fail Return	Controls how the module returns after a failed source becomes valid again.

Related Processors

- Automixer - 5.1
- Program + Spectral Processing Channel Strip - 5.1
- Program Processing Channel Strip - 7.1.4 (+Upmix)

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