

# Checking AV Properties - with MediaConch

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# MediaConch

*Conformance- and policy-checker for media files.*


- Check if container/codecs meet specs.
- Policy-check for numerous media formats.
- Great for ingest of 'born-digital'.
- etc.

Website: [mediaarea.net/MediaConch/](http://mediaarea.net/MediaConch/)



Terminal - tools.html + (/media/storage\_700/storage/F\_Drive/Job/MediaConch - ntations/2016/11-HTW\_Chur/Videokurs/reveal.js) ((2) of 7) - VIM

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# Policy editor

## Policy list:

Search

User policies

Austrian Mediathek: Preservation Master (and)

System policies

Is this NTSC or PAL SD? (or)

Example MKV FFV1 digitization policy (and)

Matroska is well described? (and)

CAVPP Preservation Master (and)

Memorial Video files Recommendations (or)

## Import a policy

**Policy file**

Choose File

No file selected


Import policy

## Create a policy

Add a new policy

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# Policy editor

## Policy list:

User policies

- Audio: Good quality resolution (and)
- Audio properties check (and)
  - File format (or)
  - Is Codec ok (PCM)?
  - Is Length in Minutes valid?
  - Is Sampling Rate ok (Hz)?
  - Channels Stereo
- At least 16 bits? (or)
- PAL SD (and)
- MPEG-4 AVC (H.264/AAC) (and)
  - Audio format is AAC?
  - Video format is AVC?
- Austrian Mediathek: Preservation Master (Video) (and)
  - Is it AVI?
  - Is the video FFV1?
  - Is this NTSC or PAL SD? (or)
  - FFV1 version <= 1?
  - Colorspace is YUV
  - Audio is 2 channels
  - Audio is 48kHz
  - Audio is 16 bit

System policies

Rule type

MediaInfoMediaTrace

Rule name ⓘ

Is Codec ok (PCM)?

Track type ⓘ \*

Audio

Field ⓘ \*

Format

Occurrence ⓘ

Validator ⓘ

Is equal (=)

Content \*

PCM

Save

Duplicate

Delete

Fields marked by asterisks (\*) are required

# Implementation Checks

Currently implemented:

- Container Matroska (.mkv)  
(any codecs)
- Video FFV1  
(any container)
- Audio LPCM (any container)

Additional formats implementable on demand.

# Policy Checks

*Defined rule sets (aka “a policy”) for  
selected technical properties*

# Policy Checks

## Examples:

- Resolution (image, samplerate)
- Format/codec
- Framerate (fps)
- Bitrate
- ...

# Policies and Rules

- Policy = A branch
- Rule = A leaf
- Nested policies + rules?  
A tree!

# Policies and Rules

Policy types:

- **AND** = *all* must match
- **OR** = at least one match

# Exercise 1

Create a policy matching:

- PAL SD resolution
- PAL framerate

# Exercise 2

Create a policy from existing file.

Which rules to keep?

# Popular use cases

- Ingest of born digital “Banana boxes”
- Check before “move to archive”
- 3rd party digitization

**Comments?**

**Questions?**