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#### Abstract:

This prose specification describes a set of OData vocabularies maintained by the OASIS OData Technical Committee. These vocabulary components are continuously evolved. The latest work-in-progress revisions are available at the odata-vocabularies OASIS TC GitHub repository: <https://github.com/oasis-tcs/odata-vocabularies>.

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# 1 Introduction

OData provides the ability to decorate model elements of a schema and instances of data with descriptive elements called *annotations*. Annotations can be used to specify additional facts about an element, such as whether it is read-only, or to define a common concept, such as a person or a movie. Annotations consist of a *term* (the namespace-qualified name of the annotation being applied), a *target* (the element to which the term is applied), and a *value*. A set of related annotation terms with a common namespace comprises a *Vocabulary*. Shared vocabularies provide a powerful extensibility point for OData. Refer to the **[OData-Protocol]** and **[OData-CSDLXML]** specifications for more information on the use of vocabularies.

This prose specification describes a set of OData vocabularies maintained by the OASIS OData Technical Committee. It is one component of a Work Product that also includes the various vocabulary components. These vocabulary components are continuously evolved, the latest work-in-progress revisions are available at **[OData-Vocabs]**.

Other OData vocabularies may be created, shared, and maintained outside of this work product.

## 1.1 Terminology

The key words “MUST”, “MUST NOT”, “REQUIRED”, “SHALL”, “SHALL NOT”, “SHOULD”, “SHOULD NOT”, “RECOMMENDED”, “MAY”, and “OPTIONAL” in this document are to be interpreted as described in **[RFC2119]**.

## 1.2 Normative References

- [RFC2119]** Bradner, S., “Key words for use in RFCs to Indicate Requirement Levels”, BCP 14, RFC 2119, March 1997. <http://www.ietf.org/rfc/rfc2119.txt>.
- [OData-CorVoc]** *OData Vocabularies Version 4.0: Core Vocabulary*. See link in “Related work” section on cover page.
- [OData-CapVoc]** *OData Vocabularies Version 4.0: Capabilities Vocabulary*. See link in “Related work” section on cover page.
- [OData-MeaVoc]** *OData Vocabularies Version 4.0: Measures Vocabulary*. See link in “Related work” section on cover page.
- [OData-ValVoc]** *OData Vocabularies Version 4.0: Validation Vocabulary*. See link in “Related work” section on cover page.
- [OData-AggVoc]** *OData Vocabularies Version 4.0: Aggregation Vocabulary*. See link in “Related work” section on cover page.
- [OData-AuthVoc]** *OData Vocabularies Version 4.0: Authorization Vocabulary*. See link in “Related work” section on cover page.
- [OData-Protocol]** *OData Version 4.01 Part 1: Protocol*. See link in “Related work” section on cover page.
- [OData-CSDLXML]** *OData Common Schema Definition Language (CSDL) XML Representation Version 4.01*. See link in “Related work” section on cover page.

## 1.3 Non-Normative References

- [OData-Vocabs]** *odata-vocabularies OASIS TC GitHub repository* <https://github.com/oasis-tcs/odata-vocabularies>.

## 2 Core Vocabulary

The Core vocabulary [OData-CorVoc] contains a set of basic annotation terms describing behavioral aspects along with annotation terms that can be used to define other vocabularies.

Vocabulary Namespace: [Org.OData.Core.V1](#)

Term Name	Term Description
<a href="#">AcceptableMediaTypes</a>	Lists the MIME types acceptable for the annotated entity type marked with HasStream="true" or the annotated stream property
<a href="#">AdditionalProperties</a>	Instances of this type may contain properties in addition to those declared in \$metadata If specified as false clients can assume that instances will not contain dynamic properties, irrespective of the value of the OpenType attribute.
<a href="#">AlternateKeys</a>	Communicates available alternate keys
<a href="#">AutoExpand</a>	The service will automatically expand this navigation property even if not requested with \$expand
<a href="#">AutoExpandReferences</a>	The service will automatically expand this navigation property as entity references even if not requested with \$expand=.../\$ref
<a href="#">Computed</a>	A value for this property is generated on both insert and update
<a href="#">ContentID</a>	A unique identifier for nested entities within a request.
<a href="#">ConventionalIDs</a>	Entity-ids follow OData URL conventions
<a href="#">DefaultNamespace</a>	Functions, actions and types in this namespace can be referenced in URLs with or without namespace- or alias-qualification. Data Modelers should ensure uniqueness of schema children across all default namespaces, and should avoid naming bound functions, actions, or derived types with the same name as a structural or navigational property of the type.
<a href="#">DereferenceableIDs</a>	Entity-ids are URLs that locate the identified entity
<a href="#">Description</a>	A brief description of a model element
<a href="#">Immutable</a>	A value for this non-key property can be provided on insert and remains unchanged on update
<a href="#">IsLanguageDependent</a>	Properties and terms annotated with this term are language-dependent
<a href="#">IsMediaType</a>	Properties and terms annotated with this term MUST contain a valid MIME type
<a href="#">IsURL</a>	Properties and terms annotated with this term MUST contain a valid URL
<a href="#">LongDescription</a>	A lengthy description of a model element
<a href="#">MayImplement</a>	A collection of qualified type names outside of the type hierarchy that instances of this type might be addressable as by using a type segment.
<a href="#">MediaType</a>	The media type of a binary resource
<a href="#">Messages</a>	Instance annotation for warning and info messages
<a href="#">NumericValueException</a>	Used in place of a property value to annotate a property whose value is not representable according to its numeric type.

Term Name	Term Description
ODataVersions	A space-separated list of supported versions of the OData Protocol. Note that 4.0 is implied by 4.01 and does not need to be separately listed.
OptimisticConcurrency	Data modification requires the use of ETags. A non-empty collection contains the set of properties that are used to compute the ETag.
Ordered	Collection has a stable order. Ordered collections of primitive or complex types can be indexed by ordinal.
Permissions	Permissions for accessing a resource
PositionalInsert	Items can be inserted at a given ordinal index.
RequiresType	Terms annotated with this term can only be applied to elements that have a type that is identical to or derived from the given type name
ResourcePath	Resource path for entity container child, can be relative to xml:base and the request URL
SchemaVersion	Service-defined value representing the version of the schema. Services MAY use semantic versioning, but clients MUST NOT assume this is the case.



### 3 Capabilities Vocabulary

The Capabilities vocabulary [**OData-CapVoc**] provides a way for service authors to describe certain capabilities of an OData Service. There are some capabilities that are strongly recommended for services to support even though they are optional. For example, support for `$top` and `$skip`. Supporting these query options helps with performance of a service and are essential. Such capabilities are assumed default capabilities of an OData service even in the case that a capabilities annotation does not exist. Services can use the capabilities annotations to specify lack of support for such assumed features, as well as to explicitly specify such features are supported.

Vocabulary Namespace: [Org.OData.Capabilities.V1](#)

Term Name	Term Description
<a href="#">AcceptableEncodings</a>	List of acceptable compression methods for (\$batch) requests, e.g. gzip
<a href="#">AsynchronousRequestsSupported</a>	Service supports the asynchronous request preference
<a href="#">BatchContinueOnErrorSupported</a>	Service supports the continue on error preference. Supports \$batch requests. Services that apply the BatchContinueOnErrorSupported term should also specify the ContinueOnErrorSupported property from the BatchSupport term.
<a href="#">BatchSupport</a>	Batch Support for the service
<a href="#">BatchSupported</a>	Supports \$batch requests. Services that apply the BatchSupported term should also apply the more comprehensive BatchSupport term.
<a href="#">CallbackSupported</a>	Supports callbacks for the specified protocols
<a href="#">ChangeTracking</a>	Change tracking capabilities of this service or entity set
<a href="#">ConformanceLevel</a>	The conformance level achieved by this service
<a href="#">CountRestrictions</a>	Restrictions on /\$count path suffix and \$count=true system query option
<a href="#">CrossJoinSupported</a>	Supports cross joins for the entity sets in this container
<a href="#">DeepInsertSupport</a>	Deep Insert Support for the service
<a href="#">DeleteRestrictions</a>	Restrictions on delete operations
<a href="#">ExpandRestrictions</a>	Restrictions on \$expand expressions
<a href="#">FilterFunctions</a>	List of functions and operators supported in \$filter
<a href="#">FilterRestrictions</a>	Restrictions on \$filter expressions
<a href="#">IndexableByKey</a>	Supports key values according to OData URL conventions
<a href="#">InsertRestrictions</a>	Restrictions on insert operations
<a href="#">IsolationSupported</a>	Supported odata.isolation levels
<a href="#">NavigationRestrictions</a>	Restrictions on navigating properties according to OData URL conventions
<a href="#">SearchRestrictions</a>	Restrictions on \$search expressions
<a href="#">SkipSupported</a>	Supports \$skip
<a href="#">SortRestrictions</a>	Restrictions on \$orderby expressions
<a href="#">SupportedFormats</a>	Media types of supported formats, including format parameters
<a href="#">SupportedMetadataFormats</a>	Media types of supported formats for \$metadata, including format parameters

<b>Term Name</b>	<b>Term Description</b>
<a href="#">TopSupported</a>	Supports \$top
<a href="#">UpdateRestrictions</a>	Restrictions on update operations

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## 4 Measures Vocabulary

The Measures vocabulary [**OData-MeaVoc**] provides a set of terms describing monetary amounts and measured quantities.

Vocabulary Namespace: [Org.OData.Measures.V1](#)

Term Name	Term Description
<a href="#">ISOCurrency</a>	The currency for this monetary amount as an ISO 4217 currency code
<a href="#">Scale</a>	The number of significant decimal places in the scale part (less than or equal to the number declared in the Scale facet)
<a href="#">Unit</a>	The unit of measure for this measured quantity, e.g. cm for centimeters or % for percentages

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## 5 Validation Vocabulary

The Validation vocabulary [**OData-ValVoc**] provides a set of terms describing validation rules.

Vocabulary Namespace: [Org.OData.Validation.V1](#)

Term Name	Term Description
<a href="#">AllowedValues</a>	A collection of valid values for the annotated property, parameter, or type definition
<a href="#">Exclusive</a>	Tags a Minimum or Maximum as exclusive, i.e. an open interval boundary.
<a href="#">Maximum</a>	Maximum value that a property, parameter, or term can have.
<a href="#">Minimum</a>	Minimum value that a property, parameter, or term can have.
<a href="#">MultipleOf</a>	The value of the annotated property, parameter, or term must be an integer multiple of this positive value. For temporal types, the value is measured in seconds.
<a href="#">Pattern</a>	The pattern that a string property, parameter, or term must match. This SHOULD be a valid regular expression, according to the ECMA 262 regular expression dialect.

## 6 Aggregation Vocabulary

The Aggregation vocabulary [**OData-AggVoc**] provides a set of terms describing which data in a given entity model can be aggregated, and how.

Vocabulary Namespace: [Org.OData.Aggregation.V1](#)

Term Name	Term Description
<a href="#">Aggregatable</a>	This property can be used in the aggregate transformation
<a href="#">ApplySupported</a>	This structured type or entity container supports the \$apply system query option
<a href="#">AvailableOnAggregates</a>	This action or function is available on aggregated entities if the RequiredProperties are still defined
<a href="#">ContextDefiningProperties</a>	The annotated property or custom aggregate is only well-defined in the context of these properties The context-defining properties need either be part of the result entities, or be restricted to a single value by a pre-filter operation. Examples are postal codes within a country, or monetary amounts whose context is the unit of currency.
<a href="#">CustomAggregate</a>	Dynamic property that can be used in the aggregate transformation This term MUST be applied with a Qualifier, the Qualifier value is the name of the dynamic property. The value of the annotation MUST be the qualified name of a primitive type. The aggregated values will be of that type.
<a href="#">Groupable</a>	This property can be used in the groupby transformation
<a href="#">LeveledHierarchy</a>	Defines a leveled hierarchy by defining an ordered list of properties in the hierarchy
<a href="#">RecursiveHierarchy</a>	Defines a recursive hierarchy.

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## 7 Authorization Vocabulary

The Authorization vocabulary [OData-AuthVoc] provides a set of terms describing a web authorization flow.

Vocabulary Namespace: [Org.OData.Authorization.V1](#)

Term Name	Term Description
<a href="#">Authorizations</a>	Lists the methods available to authorize access to the annotated resource

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## 8 Conformance

The syntax of the OData vocabularies **MUST** conform to the **[OData-CSDLXML]** format.

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## Appendix A. Acknowledgments

The contributions of the OASIS OData Technical Committee members, enumerated in **[OData-Protocol]**, are gratefully acknowledged.



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## Appendix B. Revision History

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