

# Coding Tools for Improving Coding Efficiency of Future Video Coding (JVET)

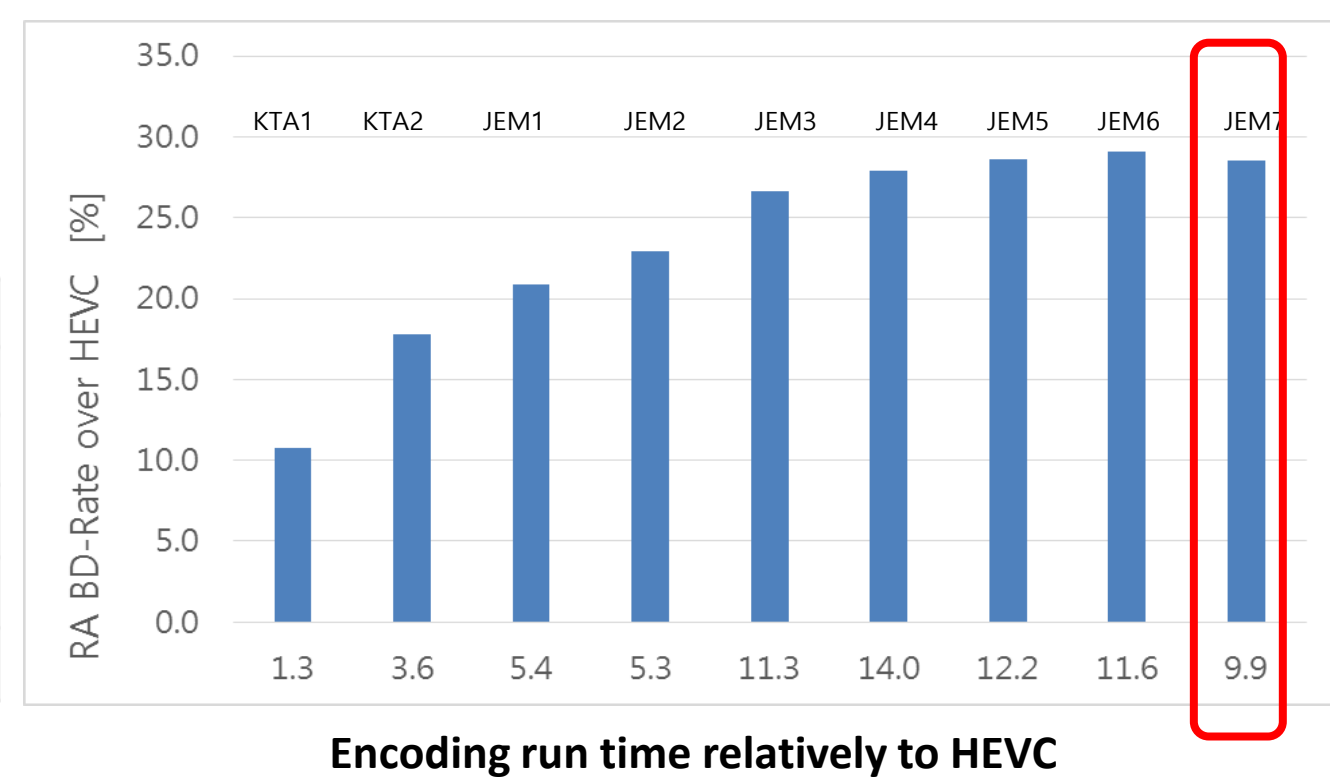
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## I. Introduction

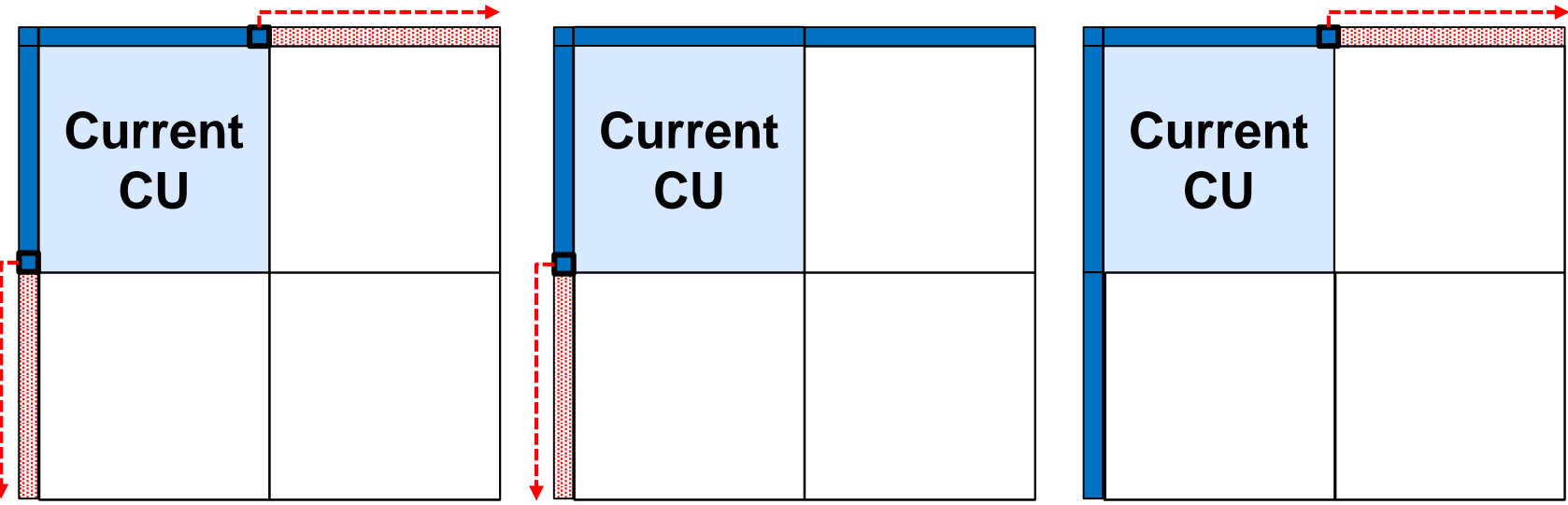
- Joint Video Exploration Team (JVET)
  - ITU-T VCEG (Q6/16) and ISO/IEC MPEG (JTC 1/SC 29/WG 11)
  - Significantly exceeding the compression capability of HEVC/H.265
  - The scope of technology
    - SDR/HDR(High-Dynamic-Range) video, VR/360 video
  - Requirements
    - Compression performance: 30% - 50% bit-rate reductions vs. HEVC
    - Video Formats: VGA (640x480) ~ 8K UHD
  - Timeline
    - Publication of a future video coding specification by approximately 2020
- JVET releases the Joint Exploration Model (JEM) Software codec for technical verification
- Released Call for Proposal (CfP) of JVET in Oct., 2017
- Coding efficiency of JEM 7.0 in the comparison with HEVC
  - 29% BD-rate saving with about 10 times encoding run-time

| Test configuration | BD-rate |      |      | Time |      |
|--------------------|---------|------|------|------|------|
|                    | Y       | U    | V    | Enc. | Dec. |
| All Intra          | -20%    | -28% | -27% | ×36  | ×2   |
| Random Access      | -29%    | -35% | -34% | ×10  | ×7   |
| Low Delay-B        | -22%    | -28% | -29% | ×9   | ×7   |
| Low Delay-P        | -26%    | -31% | -32% | ×7   | ×5   |



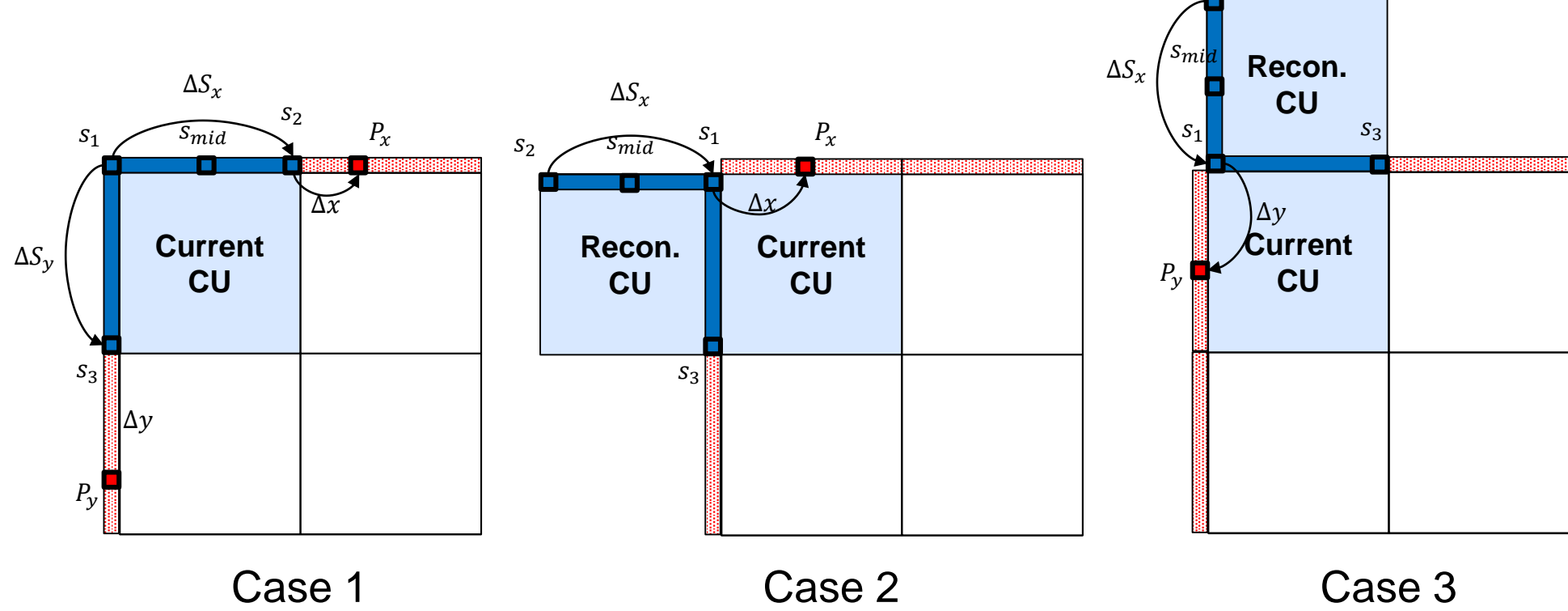
## II. Reference Sample Preparation in JEM

- Reference sample padding (RSP)
  - The reference sample padding is performed when no reference samples exist
    - There are no reference samples or partially available
  - The basic idea of reference sample padding
    - Fill in a sample that does not exist using the closest sample available



### Proposed Method

- Assumption for reflecting the linearity of the available samples
  - If the available samples are linear, performance improvement is expected by filling the non-existing samples linearly



### Determine linearity

$$Abs(s_1 + s_2 - 2s_{mid}) < (1 \ll (BitDepth_Y - x))$$

- As Increase linearity factor  $x$ , the condition of linearity is more strict
- If the above condition is satisfied, linear padding is performed
  - The variation is reflected according to the position of the padding area

$$\begin{aligned} s_1 - s_2 &= \Delta S_x \\ s_1 - s_3 &= \Delta S_y \end{aligned} \quad P_x = s_2 - \frac{\Delta x \Delta S_x}{width_{CU}} \quad P_y = s_3 - \frac{\Delta y \Delta S_y}{height_{CU}}$$

- In case of the CU blocks boundary, reference the reconstruct block (Case 2, 3)

### Experimental Result

- Test conditions
  - JEM 7.0 rc1, All Intra, HD (1920x1080) 64 frames, linear factor  $x = 8$

| HD sequence     | BD-rate |        |        |
|-----------------|---------|--------|--------|
|                 | Y       | U      | V      |
| ParkScene       | 0.02%   | -0.10% | -0.13% |
| Cactus          | 0.03%   | -0.32% | 0.18%  |
| BasketballDrive | -0.09%  | -0.14% | -0.32% |
| BQTerrace       | -0.03%  | 0.23%  | 0.27%  |

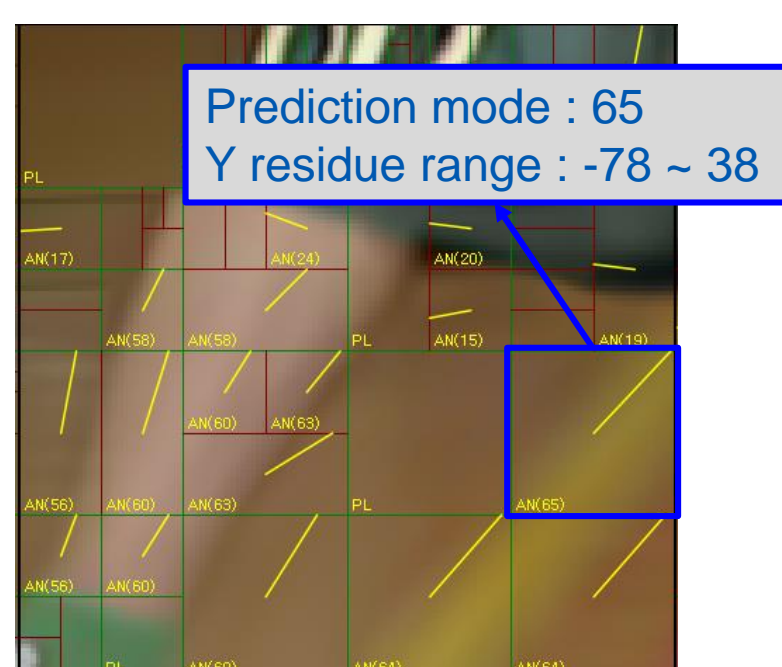
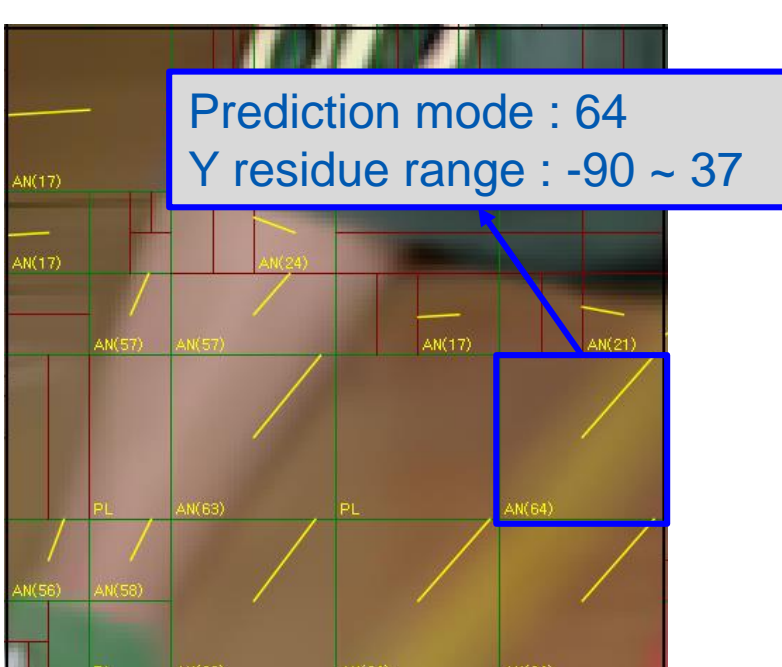
&lt; Test 1. Apply only Case 1 &gt;

| HD sequence     | BD-rate |        |        |
|-----------------|---------|--------|--------|
|                 | Y       | U      | V      |
| ParkScene       | 0.01%   | -0.08% | -0.04% |
| Cactus          | 0.02%   | 0.07%  | 0.13%  |
| BasketballDrive | 0.02%   | -0.26% | -0.10% |
| BQTerrace       | 0.05%   | 0.17%  | -0.14% |

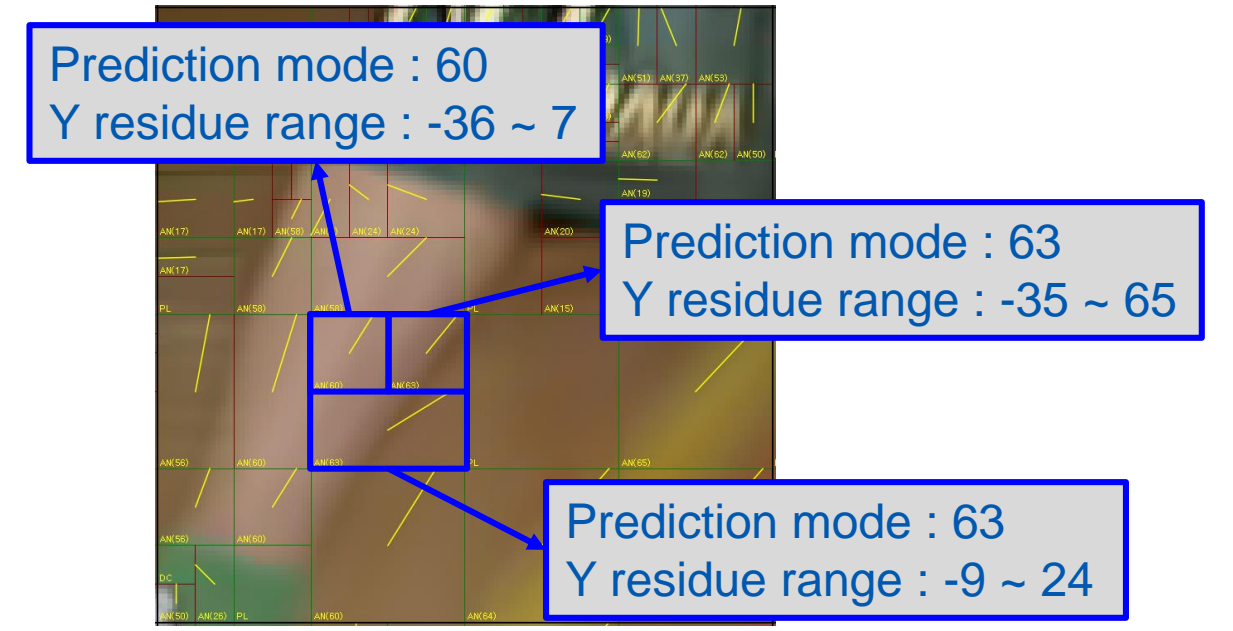
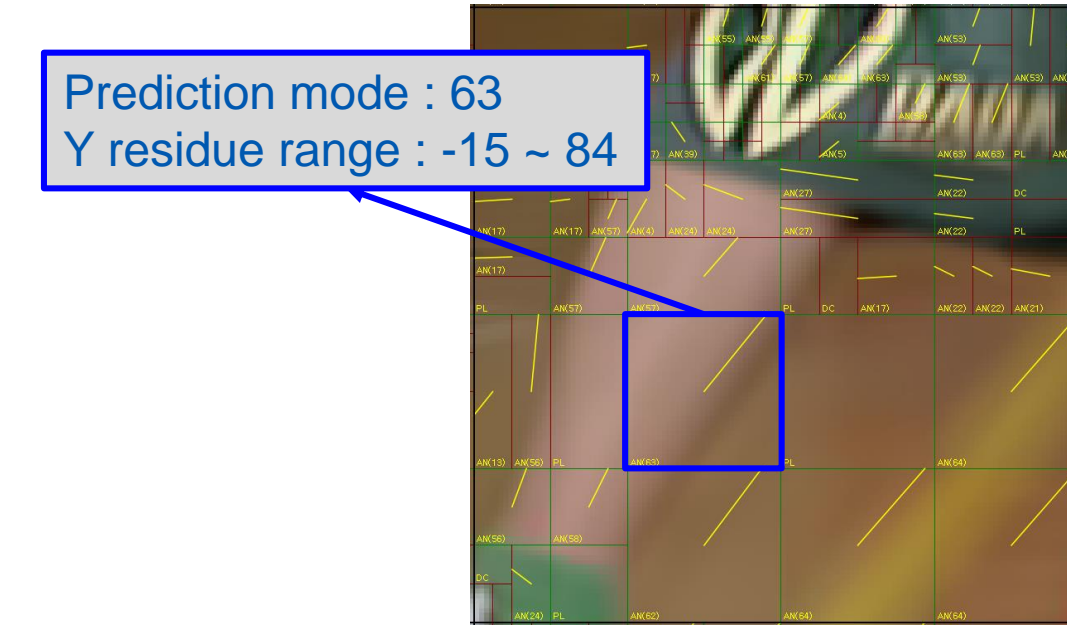
&lt; Test 2. Apply Case 1, 2, 3 &gt;

- Analyze with JEM Bitstream Analyzer

- Proposed method reduces the range of residue value. This improves quality by reducing quantization error. But the inverse cases also exist



- An increase in bit amount can also be caused when divided into smaller blocks than Anchor



## III. Merge Mode in JEM

### Merge mode

- Merge mode to derive the motion information from spatially or temporally neighboring blocks
- Transmit index information to select one out of several available candidates (5 candidates)

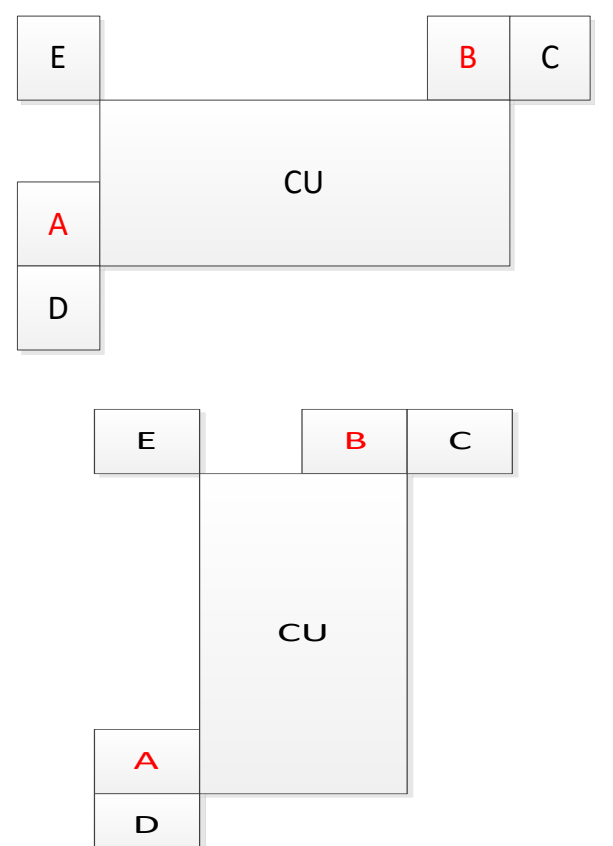
| $S_0$ | $S_1$ | $S_2$ | $S_3$ | $Col$ |
|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|
|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|

- spatial candidates (max 4 candidates)
  - Search for spatial candidates  $S_0, S_1, S_2, S_3$
  - Remove redundant candidates
- temporal candidates (max 1 candidate)
  - Search for temporal candidate  $Col$
- combined bi-predictive candidates
- zero motion vector candidate

### Proposed Method

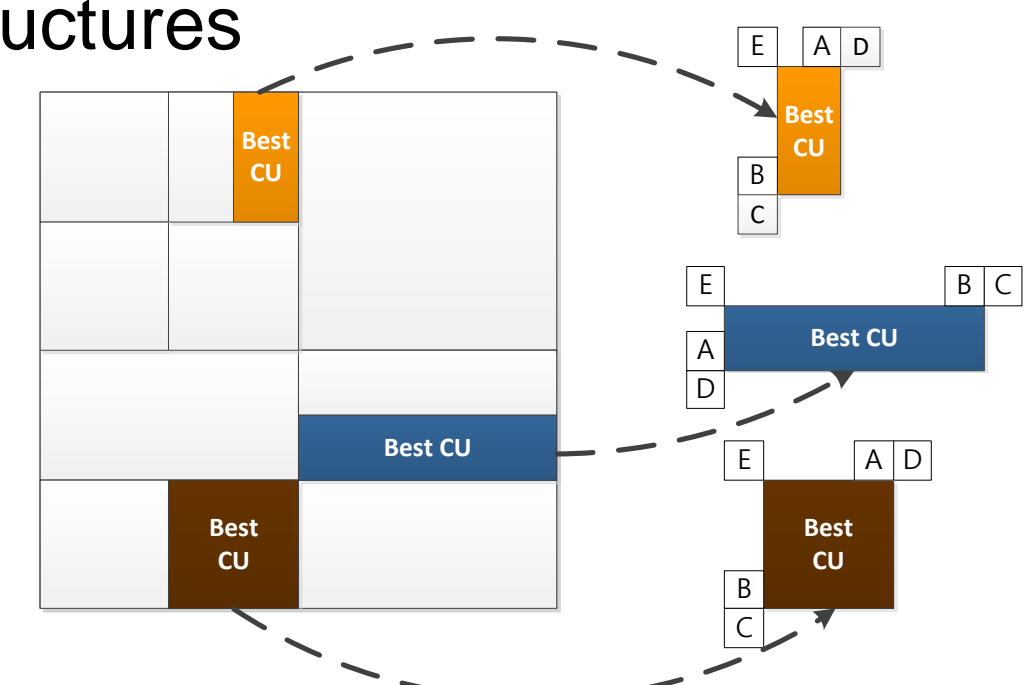
- Change the List of Merge by Block Size

- If  $width \geq height$   
Existing merge sequence in JEM is followed
  - $A \rightarrow B \rightarrow C \rightarrow D \rightarrow E$



- If  $width < height$   
Change the derivation order of Left and Above
  - $B \rightarrow A \rightarrow C \rightarrow D \rightarrow E$

- The order of MERGE candidates is different according to the shape of CU block and the CU's partition information
  - when  $width = height$ , it was not always QT split.
- The width, height do not represent all CU split structures
  - Determined only by the CU partitioning



### Experimental Result of Method

- Test conditions

- JEM 7.0, Random Access, HD (1920x1080 for 1sec)

|                 | BD-rate (piecewise cubic) |        |        | BD-rate (cubic) |        |        |
|-----------------|---------------------------|--------|--------|-----------------|--------|--------|
|                 | Y                         | U      | V      | Y               | U      | V      |
| FoodMarket      | 0.06%                     | 0.36%  | 0.35%  | 0.08%           | 0.37%  | 0.36%  |
| Tango           | 0.01%                     | -1.23% | 0.03%  | 0.01%           | -1.25% | 0.01%  |
| CatRobot        | 0.07%                     | -0.03% | 0.37%  | 0.05%           | -0.05% | 0.32%  |
| DaylightRoad    | -0.02%                    | -0.25% | 0.08%  | -0.01%          | -0.25% | 0.09%  |
| BuildingHall    | -0.01%                    | -0.17% | -0.13% | -0.01%          | -0.16% | -0.13% |
| UHD Total       | 0.02%                     | -0.26% | 0.14%  | 0.02%           | -0.27% | 0.13%  |
| BQTerrace       | -0.06%                    | -0.33% | 0.38%  | -0.07%          | -0.32% | 0.37%  |
| RitualDance     | -0.15%                    | -0.04% | -0.21% | -0.15%          | -0.07% | -0.35% |
| Timelapse       | -0.12%                    | 0.19%  | -0.45% | -0.12%          | 0.12%  | -0.55% |
| BasketballDrive | -0.16%                    | 0.47%  | 0.57%  | -0.18%          | 0.45%  | 0.56%  |
| Cactus          | -0.10%                    | 0.10%  | 0.01%  | -0.10%          | 0.10%  | 0.02%  |
| HD Total        | -0.12%                    | 0.08%  | 0.06%  | -0.12%          | 0.05%  | 0.01%  |
| Total           | -0.05%                    | -0.09% | 0.10%  | -0.05%          | -0.11% | 0.07%  |

&lt; Test1 = Block size &gt;

|                 | BD-rate (piecewise cubic) |        |        | BD-rate (cubic) |        |        |
|-----------------|---------------------------|--------|--------|-----------------|--------|--------|
|                 | Y                         | U      | V      | Y               | U      | V      |
| BQTerrace       | -0.03%                    | -0.37% | -0.13% | -0.05%          | -0.38% | -0.13% |
| RitualDance     | -0.03%                    | -0.18% | 0.00%  | -0.03%          | -0.23% | 0.10%  |
| Timelapse       | -0.14%                    | -0.13% | -0.43% | -0.15%          | -0.14% | -0.42% |
| BasketballDrive | -0.06%                    | 0.49%  | -0.07% | -0.05%          | 0.50%  | -0.05% |
| Cactus          | 0.03%                     | 0.03%  | -0.26% | 0.04%           | 0.03%  | -0.26% |
| HD Total        | -0.05%                    | -0.03% | -0.18% | -0.05%          | -0.04% | -0.15% |

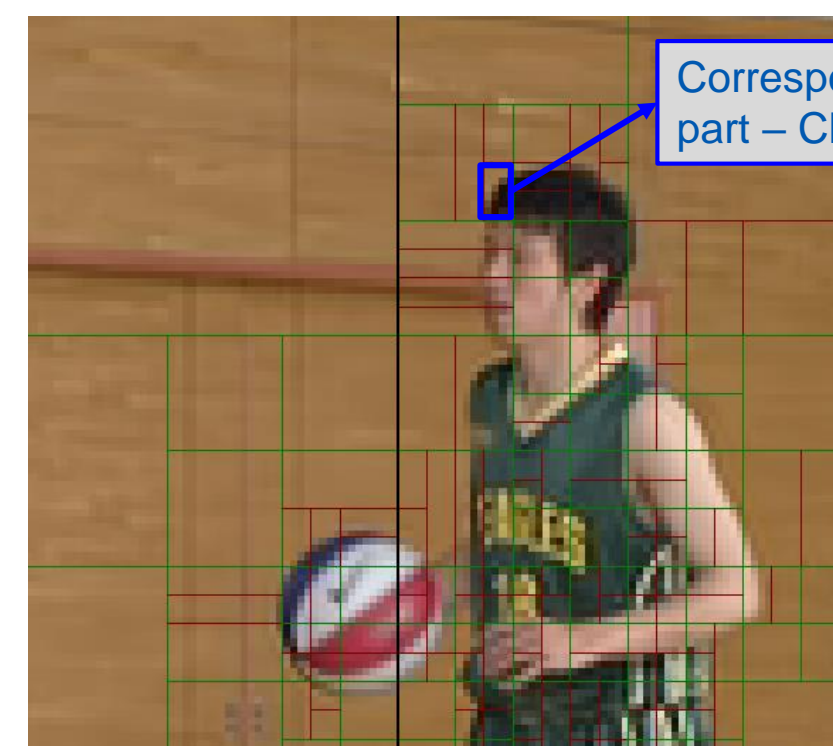
&lt; Test2 = Test1 + partitioning &gt;

|                 | BD-rate (piecewise cubic) |        |        | BD-rate (cubic) |        |        |
|-----------------|---------------------------|--------|--------|-----------------|--------|--------|
|                 | Y                         | U      | V      | Y               | U      | V      |
| BQTerrace       | -0.11%                    | -0.27% | -0.06% | -0.11%          | -0.28% | -0.06% |
| RitualDance     | 0.00%                     | -0.10% | -0.07% | 0.00%           | -0.04% | -0.03% |
| Timelapse       | -0.05%                    | 0.41%  | 0.05%  | -0.05%          | 0.39%  | 0.08%  |
| BasketballDrive | -0.04%                    | 0.38%  | -0.20% | -0.02%          | 0.34%  | -0.20% |
| Cactus          | -0.06%                    | -0.09% | -0.24% | -0.06%          | -0.09% | -0.23% |
| HD Total        | -0.05%                    | 0.06%  | -0.11% | -0.05%          | 0.06%  | -0.09% |

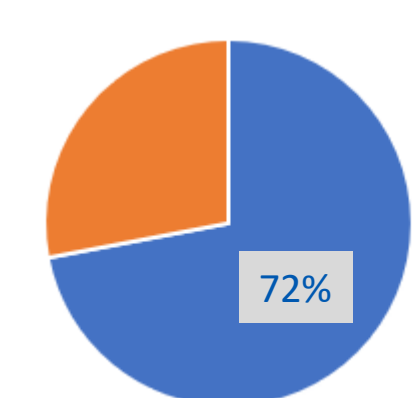
&lt; Test3 = CU partitioning(Ver/Hor) &gt;

- Analyze

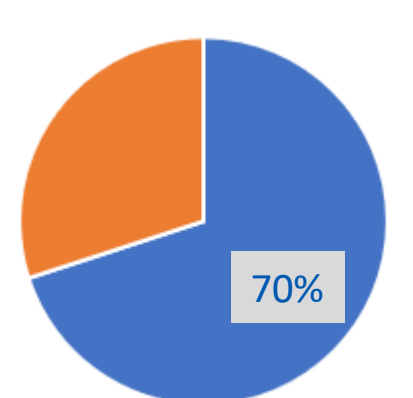
- By using proposed method, the percent of taking Above MV is changed



The ratio of second MV



&lt; Anchor &gt;



&lt; Proposed Method &gt;

&lt; The MV is about 1~2% further changed &gt;

## IV. Conclusions

- The proposed method of RSP has almost the same performance as the conventional method
  - Several sequence get a small gain when proposed method only applies to Case1
- The proposed method of taking Merge list has the best performance when considering only the block size
  - Logically, It is accurate when adding multiple conditions(ex. Partitioning and Second CU), but not in terms of performance.
  - Although the performance improvement is 0.12% in HD size, performance loss occurs in UHD.