

# Distributed Video Coding: A Summary and Roadmap

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## Distributed Source Coding (DSC)

- Compression of two or more **physically separated** sources
  - The sources **do not** communicate with each other (hence distributed coding)
  - Decoding is done jointly (say at the base station)
- Related to the **CEO problem**
  - A CEO employs  $L$  agents who independently obtain corrupted versions of a source
  - **The agents are not allowed to convene**
  - What is the minimum total data rate the agents need to convey info about their observations to the CEO?
- Part of **network information theory**
- Recent research activities spurred by applications

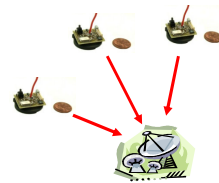
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# Sensor Networks

- A networks of many **tiny, low-powered and cheap** wireless sensors
  - Examples: Berkeley Smart Dust 
- #1 emerging technology: *MIT Technology Review*
- **The next big thing:** *Time Magazine*
- Applications
  - Information gathering (surveillance)
  - Environment (climate or habitat) monitoring
  - National defense (homeland security)
- The scenario for DSC
  - Sensor outputs are correlated
  - Sensors do not communicate with each other
  - Receiverless to save cost and power



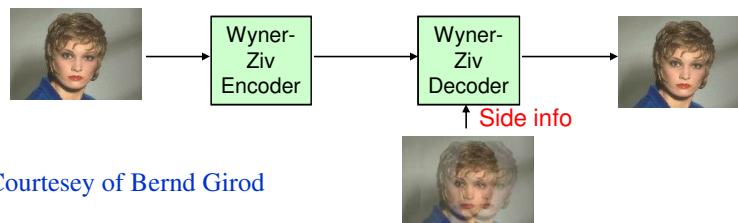
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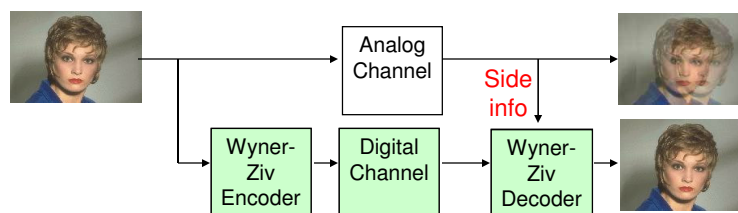
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# Distributed Video Coding I

- Wyner-Ziv video coding



- Systematic source-channel coding



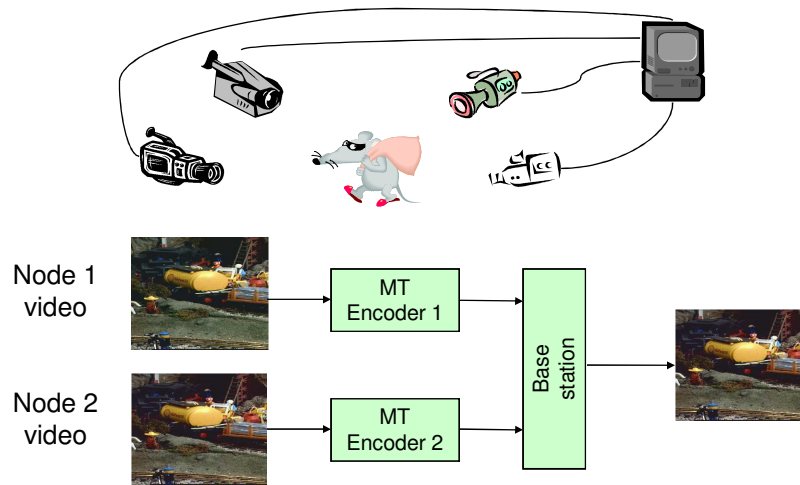
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## Distributed Video Coding II

- Multiterminal (MT) video coding



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## Tutorial Outline

### I. Background

- Slepian-Wolf coding
- Wyner-Ziv coding
- Distributed source-channel coding
- Multiterminal source coding

### II. DVC overview (start from conventional video coding)

- Work done by other groups
- Layered Wyner-Ziv video coding
- Distributed source-channel coding of video
- Multiterminal video coding

### III. DVC roadmap

- Scalable Slepian-Wolf coding
- Correlation modeling and universal Slepian-Wolf coding
- Practical low-complexity and high-efficiency DVC

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## Start with Classic Source Coding

- Entropy coding techniques (zero loss)
  - Huffman/arithmetic coding, LZC, PPM, CTW, etc.
- Channel coding for near-lossless source coding
  - Exploit duality between SC and CC
- Linear CC with  $m \times n$  parity-check matrix  $H$ 
  - For a discrete additive channel  $y = x \oplus u$
  - ML decoder selects codeword  $y - g_H(Hy)$ : most likely realization among those with the same syndrome  $H y$
- SC with the same parity-check matrix  $H$ 
  - Maps  $n$ -string source  $s$  to  $m$ -string syndrome  $H s$
  - ML decoder selects  $g_H(Hs)$ : most likely  $u$  with  $H u = H s$
- These two related problems suggest parity-check matrix  $H$  of CC as SC matrix

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## LDPC Code Based Source Coding

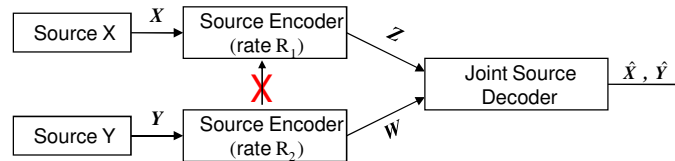
- $(n, k)$  binary LDPC code
  - $2^k$  codewords of length  $n$ ;  $2^{n-k}$  syndromes/cosets
  - Encoding:  $n$ -bit input mapped to  $(n-k)$ -bit syndrome
  - Decode each syndrome/coset to its coset leader
- Brief history of CC for SC
  - Weiss'62: fixed-length SC
  - Allard et al'72 and Fung et al'73: variable-to-fixed length SC
  - Ancheta'76: BCH code based SC
  - Garcia-Frias & Zhao'02: turbo code based SC
  - Caire, Shamai & Verdu'03
    - LDPC code based SC; bit doping to guarantee lossless compression
    - Burrows-Wheeler transform to decorrelate data
- Syndrome-based SC easily extendable to near-lossless source coding with side information (SCSI)

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## SCSI: A Case of Slepian-Wolf Coding



- Joint encoding (Y is available when coding X)
  - Code Y at  $R_2 \geq H(Y)$ ; use Y to predict X and then code the difference at  $R_1 \geq H(X|Y)$
  - All together,  $R_1 + R_2 \geq H(X|Y) + H(Y) = H(X, Y)$
- Distributed coding
  - Y is not available when coding X
  - What is the minimum rate to code X in this case?
  - **Slepian-Wolf Theorem: still  $H(X|Y)$**
- **Separate encoding as efficient as joint encoding!**

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## An Example

- Transmitting correlated temperature measurements from neighboring cities to the national weather center



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- Assume the temperatures between College Station and Houston cannot differ by more than 3 degrees
- Joint encoding: Convey the temperatures independently to the weather center using, say 8, bits each
- **Slepian-Wolf encoding:** Convey the temperature in Houston using 8 bits, send the temperature in College Station in modulo 7 (using 3 bits)

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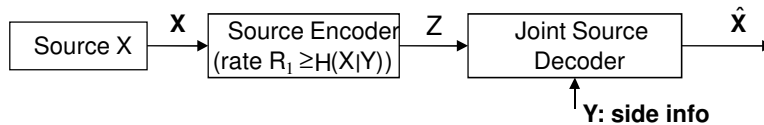
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- Results can be extended to ergodic source, infinite alphabets and arbitrary # of correlated sources

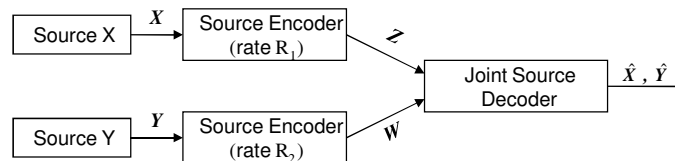
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## The Slepian-Wolf Problem

- Start with SCSI (or **asymmetric** Slepian-Wolf coding) to approach the two **corner points**



- Then **symmetric** Slepian-Wolf coding to approach **any point between the corner points**



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## From Theory to Practice

- Took almost 30 years
- The use of parity-check codes for Slepian-Wolf coding 1<sup>st</sup> suggested in Wyner's 1974 paper
  - Use of **channel coding** for this source coding problem
- Slepian-Wolf problem is a channel coding problem**
- First practical algorithm based on coset codes
  - Pradhan & Ramchandran'99
- Capacity-approaching channel codes (**turbo, LDPC codes**) found **only recently**
- Random binning** used to prove the Slepian-Wolf Theorem
  - Algebraic binning** in practice

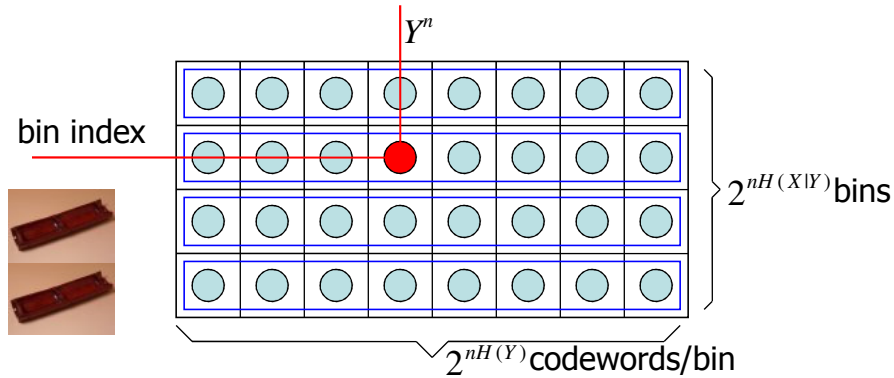
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## Algebraic Binning

- Need totally  $\sim 2^{nH(X,Y)}$  codewords to specify  $(X^n, Y^n)$ 
  - Put them into  $2^{nH(X|Y)}$  bins, each with  $2^{nH(Y)}$  codewords
  - Use  $nH(X|Y)$  bits to specify a particular bin
  - The bin index and  $Y^n$  at the decoder jointly decode  $(X^n, Y^n)$

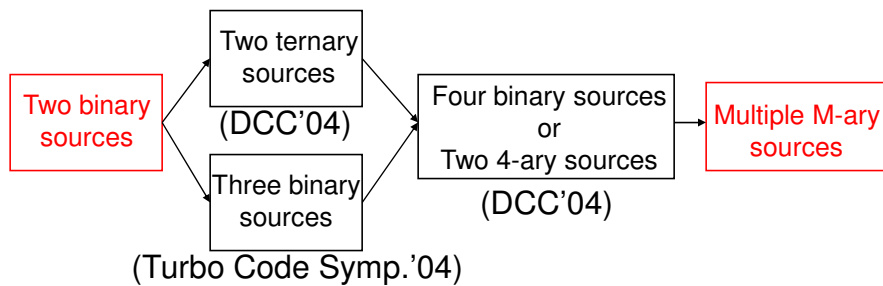


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## Asymmetric Slepian-Wolf Coding for Multiple M-ary Sources



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## Past Work on Slepian-Wolf Coding

- For two binary sources
  - Turbo code based design (Garcia-Frias & Zhao'01, Bajcsy & Mitran'01, Aaron & Girod'02, Liveris, Xiong & Georgiades'03)
  - LDPC code based design (none before our work, ours followed by Garcia-Frias & Zhao'03 and Schonberg, Ramchandran & Pradhan'02 & '03)
- For two non-binary sources
  - Turbo code based design (Zhao & Garcia-Frias'02)

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## Our Work on Slepian-Wolf Coding

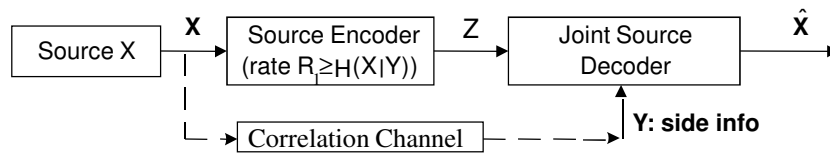
- We are the 1<sup>st</sup> to apply LDPC codes for Slepian-Wolf coding
  - Results very close to the Slepian-Wolf limit
- We also studied **conventional** turbo codes for Slepian-Wolf coding
  - Only approach that follows Wyner's scheme
  - Better than results reported by others
- Slepian-Wolf coding of **multiple M-ary** sources using LDPC codes
  - Two or three binary sources (2002 and 2003)
  - Two ternary sources (2003)
  - Four binary (or two 4-ary) sources (2003)
  - Two  $2^m$ -ary sources (2003)

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## Slepian-Wolf Coding (SCSI)



- Y available without loss at the decoder (perfect side information)
  - Theoretical compression limit:  $R_1 \geq H(X|Y)$
  - Equivalent communication channel model of the correlation
  - Proposed solution: **Syndrome approach**
  - Use of LDPC and Turbo codes

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## An Example of Slepian-Wolf Coding

- Assumptions:
  - $X, Y \in \{0, 1\}^3 \rightarrow$  **binary triplets**
  - $H(X) = H(Y) = 3$  bits  $\rightarrow$  **equiprobable triplets**
  - Correlation between X and Y:
    - X and Y differ **at most in one position**
      - $\Rightarrow$  Hamming distance  $d_H(X, Y) \leq 1$
      - $\Rightarrow$  given Y, 4 *equiprobable* choices for X
      - $\Rightarrow$   **$H(X|Y) = 2$  bits**
- Question: If **Y perfectly known at the decoder** but not at the encoder, is it possible
  - to send **2 bits instead of 3 for X and**
  - **reconstruct X without loss?**

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## Slepian-Wolf Coding Example (cont.)

- Solution:
    - Form **4 sets** and send **2-bit index** of the set X belongs to:
      - set  $Z_{00}$ : {000,111}
      - set  $Z_{01}$ : {001,110}
      - set  $Z_{10}$ : {010,101}
      - set  $Z_{11}$ : {011,100}
    - In each set: **2 members** at  $d_H=3$
    - Joint decoder: in the set indexed by Z:
      - using Y, pick  $\hat{x}$  s.t.  $d_H(\hat{x}, Y) \leq 1$
- ⇒ **No loss: limit achieved losslessly!**

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## Syndrome Concept

- Equivalent way of viewing last example
  - Form parity-check matrix of rate 1/3 repetition code
$$H = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$
  - **Syndrome=set index**
    - set (code) 0:{000,111} → syndrome= Z= 00
    - set (code) 1:{001,110} → syndrome= Z= 01
    - set (code) 2:{010,101} → syndrome= Z= 10
    - set (code) 3:{011,100} → syndrome= Z= 11
  - All 4 codes **preserve the distance properties** of the repetition code
  - Compression 3:2

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## More Slepian-Wolf Coding Examples

- Generalization of the previous example
  - X,Y are equiprobable ( $2^i - 1$ )- bit binary sources ( $i \geq 3$ )
  - $H(X) = H(Y) = n = 2^i - 1$  bits
  - Again X and Y differ **at most in one position**
  - $H(X|Y) = i$  bits and  $H(X,Y) = n + i$  bits
- For Slepian-Wolf coding, use the  $i \times n$  parity-check matrix H of the  $(n, n-i)$  binary Hamming code. When  $i=3$ ,

$$H = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 1 & 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

- $2^i$  syndromes, each indexing one bin of  $2^{n-i}$  elements of n-bit binary words
  - $n$  bits input;  $i$  bits syndrome output
  - Compression:  $n:i$  (e.g., 3:2 for  $i=2$ ; 7:3 for  $i=3$ )

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## General Syndrome Concept

- For a linear  $(n,k)$  binary code:
  - $2^k$  codewords of length  $n$
  - $2^{n-k}$  syndromes
    - Indexing  $2^{n-k}$  *disjoint sets (codes)* of  $2^k$  length- $n$  binary words → partition of the space of all binary words of length  $n$
    - Preserving code distance properties in each set
- Compression  $n:(n-k)$ 
  - Assuming correlation modeled by a symmetric channel
    - Binary symmetric channel correlation for binary sources
    - Symmetric channel correlation for M-ary cases

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## General Syndrome Concept

- Extendable to **all linear codes**
  - Especially LDPC codes!
  - Convolutional/Turbo codes
- **Key lies in correlation modeling**
- A word on syndrome vs. parity bits
  - One might be tempted to use the  $(n-k)$  parity bits of  $(n,k)$  systematic codes for Slepian-Wolf coding
  - **Syndrome-based approach is optimal and works better**
    - Because code distance property preserved
    - Good channel code  $\rightarrow$  good Slepian-Wolf code of the same performance
    - Near-capacity channel coding  $\rightarrow$  near-limit Slepian-Wolf coding performance
  - **More on parity-based approach later**

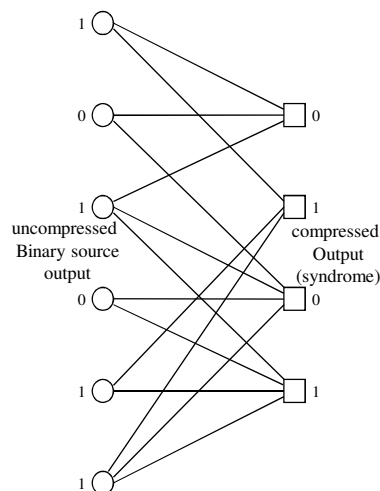
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## Binary LDPC Codes

- **Extension** of syndrome approach
  - Correlation: BSC
 
$$\Pr[X_i \neq Y_i] = p$$
  - Encoding: Binary addition at the check nodes
  - Decoding:
    - Initialize left nodes with side information
    - Change of sign at right nodes with nonzero value



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# LDPC Decoder

- Sum-product decoding algorithm for BSC
  - “Received values”  $Y$  (variable node input): **side information**
  - Code selection by syndrome:
    - **Only change at the check nodes**
      - For the  $j^{\text{th}}$  check node (degree  $c_j$ ), let  $s_j$  be the corresponding syndrome bit  $\rightarrow$  “**tanh-rule**” becomes:

$$\tanh\left(\frac{u_{kj}^{\text{out}}}{2}\right) = (1 - 2s_j) \prod_{i=1, i \neq k}^{c_j} \tanh\left(\frac{u_{ij}^{\text{in}}}{2}\right)$$

$\Rightarrow$  Just **change of sign** for *nonzero syndrome components*

- **Very good results expected**

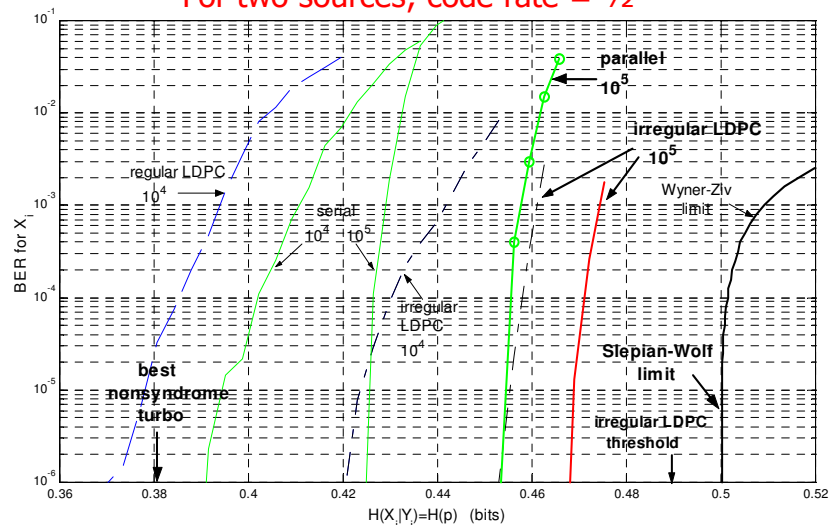
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# Slepian-Wolf Coding Results

For two sources; code rate =  $\frac{1}{2}$



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## Slepian-Wolf Coding of two $2^m$ -ary Sources

- Follow multi-level LDPC code design procedure
- One binary LDPC code for each bit
- Multi-stage decoding
- Important Slepian-Wolf coding problem in its own right
- Integral part of our proposed framework for Wyner-Ziv coding
  - Achieves lossless compression of quantized  $X$  with side information  $Y$
  - Can be viewed as a conditional entropy coder

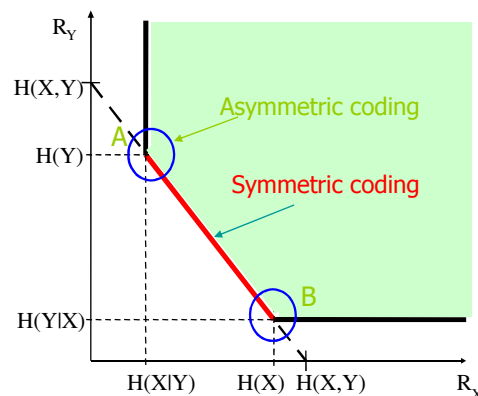
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## Symmetric Slepian-Wolf Coding

- Approaching any point on the sum-rate bound



$$\begin{aligned} R_X &\geq H(X|Y); \\ R_Y &\geq H(Y|X); \\ R_X + R_Y &\geq H(X,Y) \end{aligned}$$

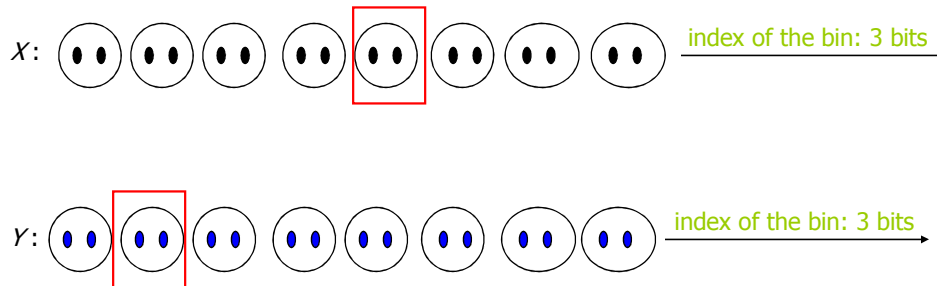
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## Random Binning: Symmetric case

- Code  $X$  and  $Y$  at  $R_x=R_y=3$  bits; Total transmission rate  $R_x + R_y=3+3=6$  bits



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## Symmetric Slepian-Wolf coding

- **Asymmetric coding:** Each bin is a coset of channel code (CC) indexed by its syndrome
- **How to construct binning scheme for non-asymmetric coding?**
- Extension to the symmetric case (Pradhan & Ramchandran)
- Generate CC  $C$  and partition it into non-overlapping subcodes  $C_1$  and  $C_2$
- Assign subcode  $C_i$  to encoder  $i$
- We provide a precise and comprehensive interpretation of generalized coset codes
- Perform efficient code designs

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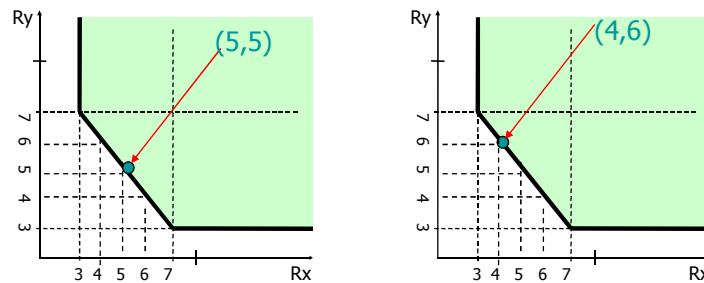
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## Symmetric Slepian-Wolf Coding Example

- Two uniformly distributed sources ( $X$  and  $Y$ )
- Slepian-Wolf bound:  $R_X + R_Y = H(X, Y) = 10$  bits
- Asymmetric coding:  $R_X = H(X) = 7$ ,  $R_Y = H(Y|X) = 3$
- Symmetric coding:  $R_X = R_Y = 5$  or  $R_X = 4$ ;  $R_Y = 6$  bits!



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## Symmetric Slepian-Wolf Coding Example

- Start with a systematic  $(7,4)$  Hamming code  $C$
- Partition it into  $G1$  &  $G2$  (for  $R_X = R_Y = 5$ )

$$G_{4 \times 7} = [I_4 | P] = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \left\{ \begin{array}{l} G1 = [I_2 \ O_{2 \times 2} \ P1_{2 \times 3}] \\ G2 = [O_{2 \times 2} \ I_2 \ P2_{2 \times 3}] \end{array} \right.$$

- Form  $H1$  and  $H2$  (5 rows each) from  $G1$  &  $G2$

$$H1_{5 \times 7} = \begin{bmatrix} O_{2 \times 2} & I_5 \\ P1_{3 \times 2}^\top & \end{bmatrix} \quad H2_{5 \times 7} = \begin{bmatrix} I_2 & O_{2 \times 2} & O_{2 \times 3} \\ O_{3 \times 2} & P2_{3 \times 2}^\top & I_3 \end{bmatrix}$$

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## Symmetric Slepian-Wolf Coding Example

- Suppose  $x = [a_1 \ v_1 \ q_1] = [00 \ 10 \ 110]$   
 $y = [u_2 \ a_2 \ q_2] = [01 \ 10 \ 110]$

- Syndrome encoding

$$s_1^T = H_1 x^T = \begin{bmatrix} v_1^T \\ P_1^T a_1^T \oplus q_1^T \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 1 & 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}^T \leftarrow \text{5 bits!}$$

$\begin{matrix} \text{inserted} & \text{coded} \\ \text{inserted} & \text{coded} \end{matrix}$

$$s_2^T = H_2 y^T = \begin{bmatrix} u_2^T \\ P_2^T a_2^T \oplus q_2^T \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}^T \leftarrow \text{5 bits!}$$

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## Symmetric Slepian-Wolf Coding Example

- Decoding: From length-7 vectors from syndromes

$$t_1^T = \begin{bmatrix} 0_{2 \times 1} \\ v_1^T \\ P_1^T a_1^T \oplus q_1^T \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 1 & 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}^T \quad x^T = \begin{bmatrix} a_1^T \\ v_1^T \\ q_1^T \end{bmatrix}$$

$\begin{matrix} S_x \text{ transmitted} \\ \text{added} \\ \text{added} \\ S_y \text{ transmitted} \end{matrix}$

$$t_2^T = \begin{bmatrix} 0_{2 \times 1} \\ u_2^T \\ P_2^T a_2^T \oplus q_2^T \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}^T \quad y^T = \begin{bmatrix} a_2^T \\ u_2^T \\ q_2^T \end{bmatrix}$$

- Find codeword  $c$  in  $C$  closest to  $t = t_1 \oplus t_2 = [01 \ 10 \ 111]$
- Since no errors:  $c = x \oplus y \oplus t_1 \oplus t_2 = [0010 \ 111]$   
 $\quad \quad \quad [a_1 \ a_2] [a_1 \ a_2] P]$

$$\hat{x} = a_1 G_1 \oplus t_1 = [0010110] = x; \quad \hat{y} = a_2 G_2 \oplus t_2 = [0110110] = y$$

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## Symmetric Slepian-Wolf Coding Example

- For  $R_X=4$ ;  $R_Y=6$  bits, partition  $G$  differently

$$G_{4 \times 7} = [I_4 | P] = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$G1 = [I_3 \ O_{3 \times 1} \ P1_{3 \times 3}]$   
 $G2 = [O_{1 \times 3} \ I_1 \ P2_{1 \times 3}]$

- Form  $H1$  and  $H2$  (4 and 6 rows) from  $G1$  &  $G2$

$$H1_{4 \times 7} = \begin{bmatrix} O_{1 \times 3} & I_4 \\ P1_{3 \times 3}^\top & \end{bmatrix} \quad H2_{6 \times 7} = \begin{bmatrix} I_3 & O_{3 \times 1} & O_{3 \times 3} \\ O_{3 \times 3} & P2_{3 \times 1}^\top & I_3 \end{bmatrix}$$

- Encoding/decoding proceeds similarly as in  $R_X=R_Y=5$

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## Extension to Multiple Sources

- Proposition:** For coding  $L$  sources  $X_1, \dots, X_L$  with code  $C(n, k, t)$ , if correlation is such that  $\omega_H(x_1 \oplus \dots \oplus x_L) \leq t$ , then decoding error equals zero. If  $k = n(1 - H(X_1 | X_2 \dots X_L))$ , then  $C(n, k, t)$  reaches the theoretical limit.
- Applicable to coding for lossless multiterminal networks
- Can be combined with network coding by using a single code for the entire network!

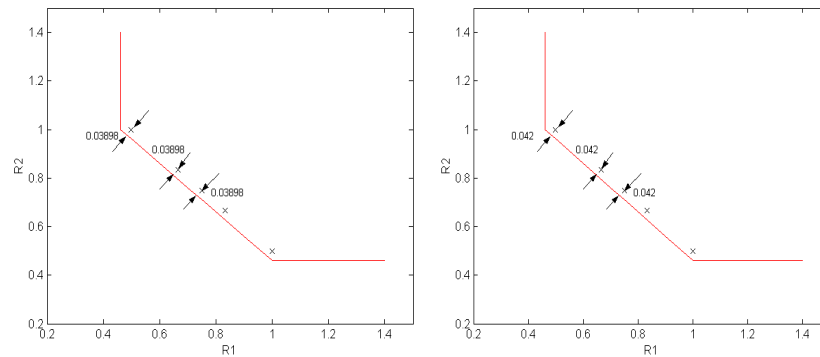
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## Results (Two Sources)

*Two uniformly distributed sources. Correlation: BSC*



*IRA code: inf. block length  $k=10^5$*

*Turbo code : inf. block length  $k=10^5$*

**Uniform performance loss of 0.04 bit!**

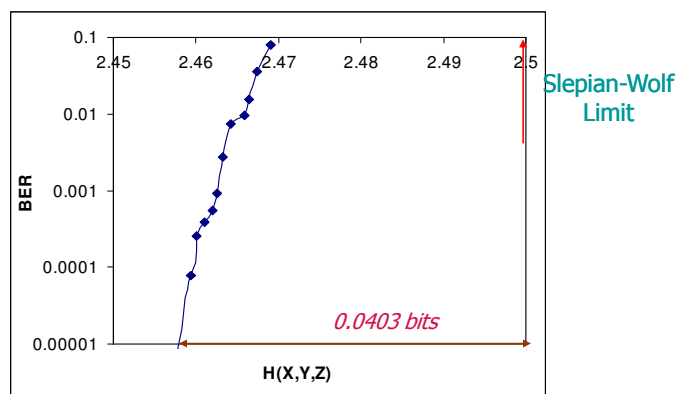
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## Results (Three Sources)

*Three uniformly distributed sources. Correlation:  $\omega_H(x \oplus y \oplus z) \leq p$*



*IRA code: inf. block length  $k=10^5$ ,  $R_x=R_y=R_z$*

**The SAME loss of 0.04 bit as with two sources!**

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## Summary on Slepian-Wolf Coding

- Cast it as a **channel coding problem**
- Significant progresses made so far (by leveraging research results on channel coding)
- The **syndrome-based** approach
  - A **single** code approaches sum-rate limit!
  - Enables efficient **code design**
  - No encoder/decoder complexity increase over the asymmetric case
  - Inherent error detection capability
  - Simple implementation for all linear block CC
- **Many open problems (more in Part III)**

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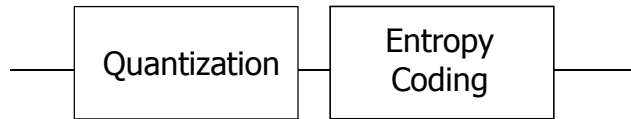
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## Classic Lossy Source Coding

- For i.i.d Gaussian sources



- ECSQ performs 1.53 dB away from the R-D function
- Entropy-constrained hexagonal lattice quantization performs 1.36 dB away from the R-D function
- ECTCQ performs 0.2 dB away from the R-D function

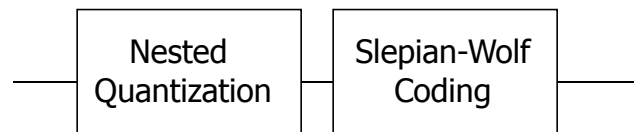
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## Lossy SCS (Wyner-Ziv Coding)

- For i.i.d Gaussian sources
- We showed similar results at high rate



- 1-D nested quantization: 1.53 dB away from the theoretical limit
- 2-D nested quantization: 1.36 dB away from the theoretical limit
- SWC-TCQ: 0.2 dB away from the theoretical limit

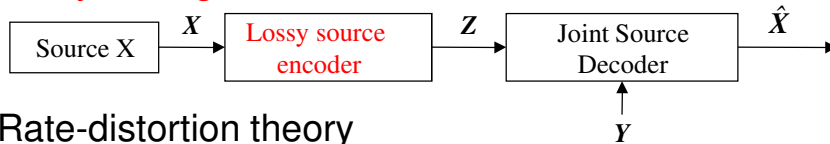
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## The Wyner-Ziv Problem

- Lossy coding and noiseless channels



- Rate-distortion theory

$$R_X(D) = \inf_{E\{d(U, X)\} \leq D} I(X; U)$$

- Wyner-Ziv rate-distortion function

$$R_{WZ}^*(D) = \inf_{Y \rightarrow X \rightarrow Z; E\{d(X, \hat{X}(Z, Y))\} \leq D} I(X; Z | Y)$$

- In general

$$R_{WZ}^*(D) \geq R_{X|Y}(D) = \inf_{E\{d(U, X)\} \leq D} I(X; U | Y)$$

- There is a rate loss with Wyner-Ziv coding (Zamir'96)

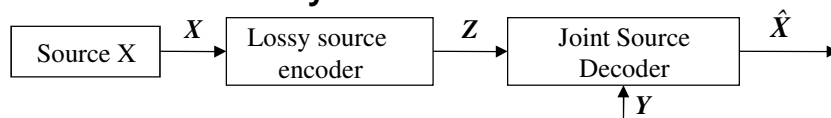
- <.22 b/s for binary sources with Hamming distance
- <.5 b/s for continuous sources with MSE measure

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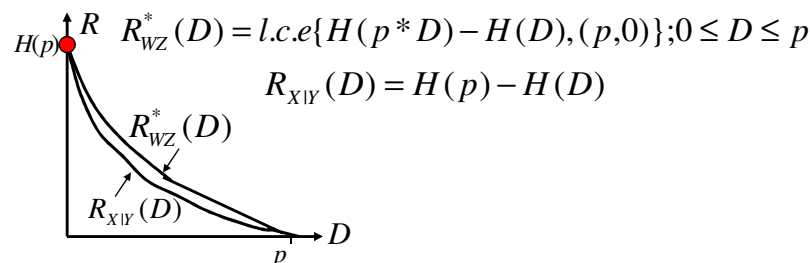
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## The Wyner-Ziv Problem



- Binary sources with Hamming distance



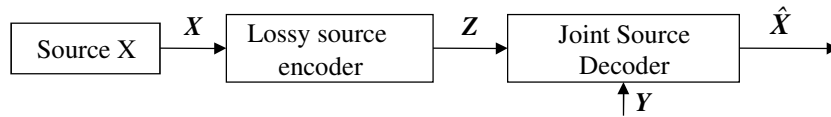
- Rate loss with separate encoding in this case
- When  $D=0$ , it degenerates to the Slepian-Wolf problem

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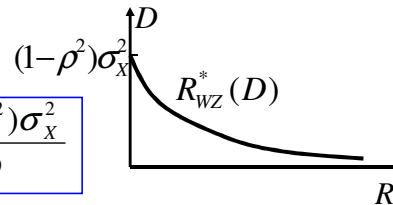
## The Wyner-Ziv Problem



- Joint Gaussian sources with MSE measure

$$\Lambda = \begin{bmatrix} \sigma_X^2 & \rho\sigma_X\sigma_Y \\ \rho\sigma_X\sigma_Y & \sigma_Y^2 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$R_{WZ}^*(D) = R_{X|Y}(D) = \frac{1}{2} \log_+ \frac{(1-\rho^2)\sigma_X^2}{D}$$



- Wyner-Ziv coding in this case suffers no loss!
- This case is of special interest because images and video sources can be modeled as jointly Gaussian (after mean subtraction)

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## Wyner-Ziv Coding

- **Binary sources with Hamming distance**
  - Zamir & Shamai'98 outlined the coding scheme based on nested linear codes
  - We have the only practical code design (ICIP'03)
- **Jointly Gaussian sources with MSE**
  - Zamir et al'98, Zamir et al'02: Suggested the use of nested lattice codes/quantization
  - Pradhan & Ramchandran'99: DISCUS (TCQ+TCM)
  - Servetto'00: Explicit nested lattice construction
  - Wang&Orchard'01: TCQ+trellis code
  - Effros et al'01: Side info may be coded
  - Chou, Pradhan & Ramchandran'03, TCQ+turbo code

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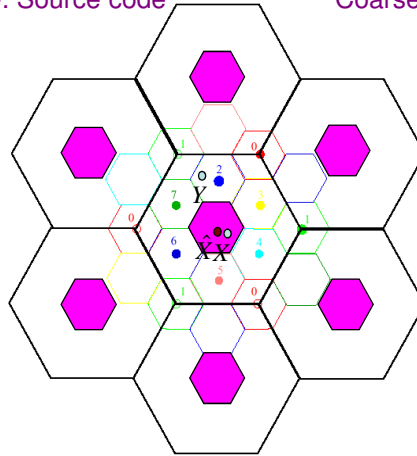


## The Quadratic Gaussian Case

- **Nested lattice quantization (Zamir et al.'02)**

Fine lattice: Source code

Coarse lattice: Channel code



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## Our Work on Wyner-Ziv Coding

- For binary symmetric sources
  - Nested convolutional/turbo code design (ICIP'03)
- For i.i.d. Gaussian sources
  - Nested lattice quantization (SSP Workshop'03)
  - Nested quantization + Slepian-Wolf coding (SSP Workshop'03 & DCC'04)
  - TCQ and LDPC coding (Asilomar'03)
- For Gauss-Markov sources
  - Conditional KLT + nested quantization + Slepian-Wolf coding (SSP Workshop'03)
- Successive Wyner-Ziv coding
  - Theory and code design (DCC'04)
  - Layered Wyner-Ziv video coding (VCIP'04)

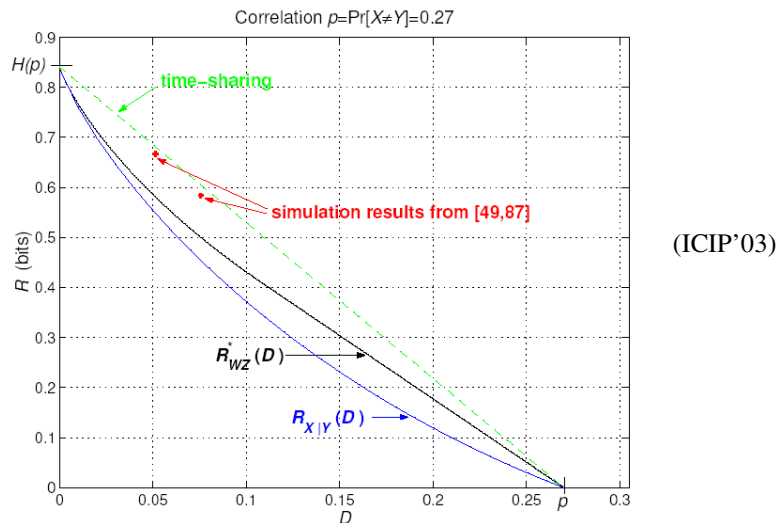
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## The Binary Wyner-Ziv Problem

- Source correlation modeled as BSC with  $p=0.27$



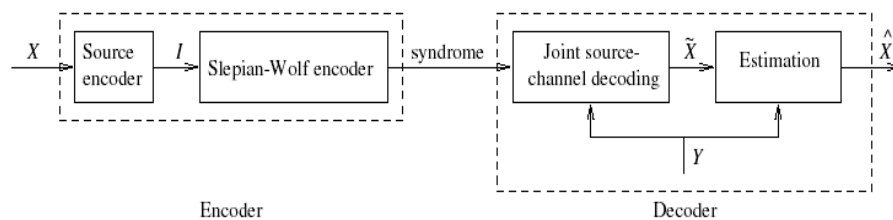
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## The Quadratic Gaussian Case

- Recall that there is no rate loss in this case!
- Generic Wyner-Ziv coder



- A source-channel coding problem
  - Quantization loss due to source coding
  - Binning loss due to channel coding
- Lesson learned: Separate source-channel coding, **no nesting**
- Estimation of  $X$  based on quantized  $X$  and  $Y$  helps at low rate

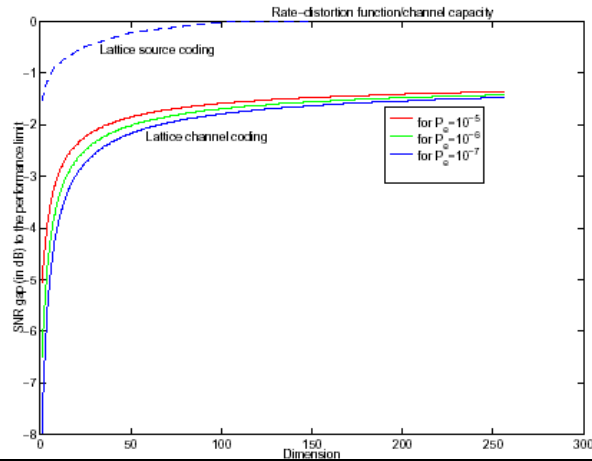
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## The Quadratic Gaussian Case

- To reach the Wyner-Ziv limit, we need
  - Limit-approaching source and channel codes

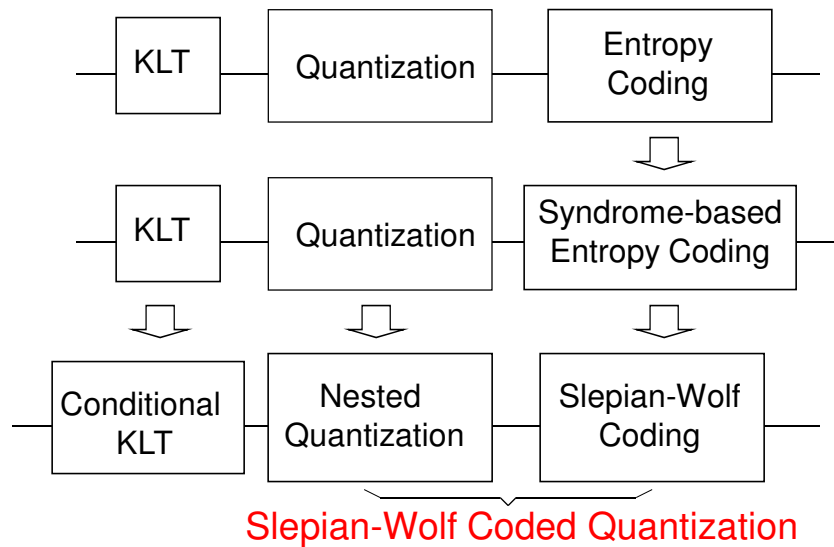


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## From Classic Source Coding to DSC



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## The Quadratic Gaussian Case

- High-rate performance of **SWCQ**
- **Theorem 1:** Assuming **ideal** Slepian-Wolf coding, SWCQ performs the same as classic entropy-coded quantization in terms of the gap to the respective D-R function.

High-rate classic source coding      High-rate Wyner-Ziv coding

	Gap to $D_X(R)$		Gap to $D_{WZ}^*(R)$
ECSQ	1.53 dB	SWC-SQ	1.53 dB
ECLQ (2-D)	1.36 dB	SWC-LQ	1.36 dB
ECTCQ <sup>256</sup>	0.20 dB	SWC-TCQ	0.20 dB

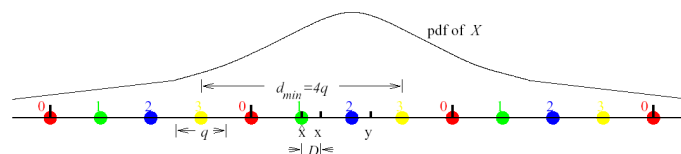
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## The Quadratic Gaussian Case

- SWC-NQ: the 1-D case (**similar in the 2-D case**)
- SC and CC components
  - Scalar quantization + coset channel code



- X first quantized w.r.t. the fine SC (with Q loss)
- Bin index in the coarse CC containing X is coded
- With the coded bin index, the decoder finds in the bin the codeword closest to the side information Y as the best estimate of X (binning loss)
- Best q searched to minimize  $D_s + D_c$

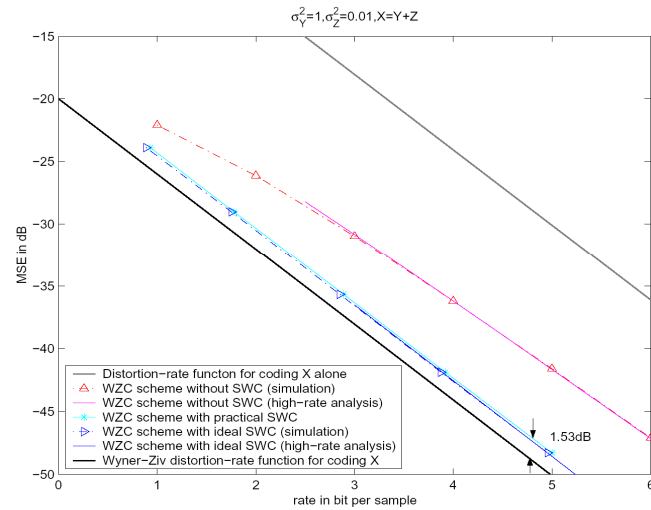
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## Wyner-Ziv Coding Results

- 1-D nested quantization+Slepian-Wolf coding



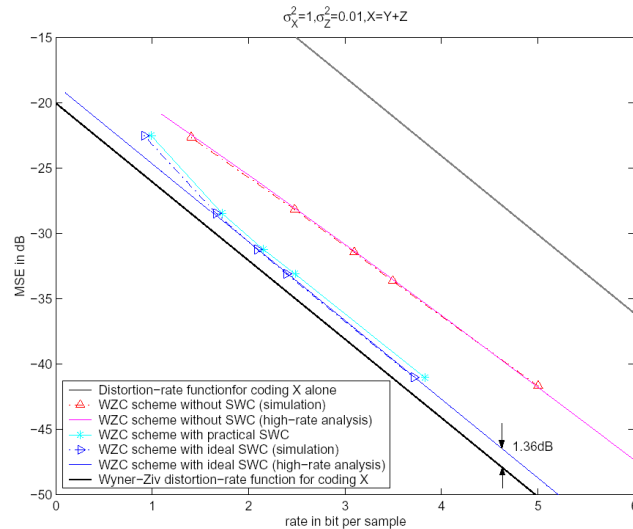
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## Wyner-Ziv Coding Results

- 2-D nested quantization+Slepian-Wolf coding



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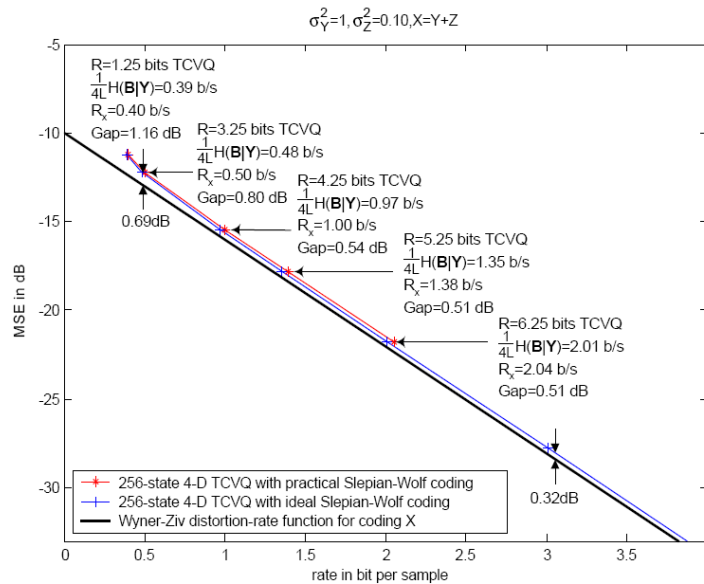
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## Encoder



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## Simulation results with 4-D TCVQ



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## The Quadratic Gaussian Case (based on practical designs)

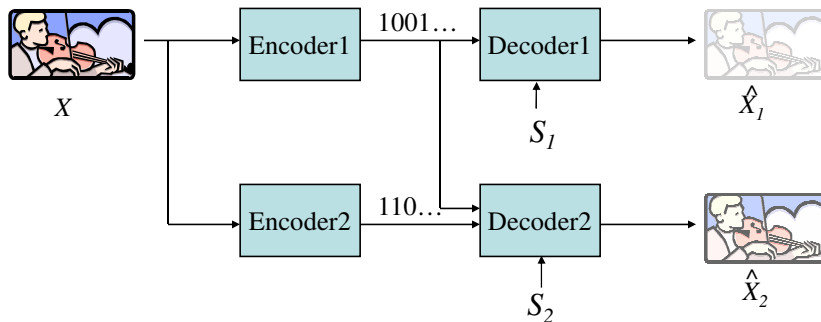
- Comparison
  - DISCUS (Pradhan & Ramchandran): 2-5 dB loss
  - Turbo+trellis (Chou, Pradhan & Ramchandran): 1.3 dB loss at 1 b/s
  - SWC-TCQ: 0.66 dB loss at 1 b/s  
0.44 dB loss at higher rates
- We are approaching the theoretical performance limit of Wyner-Ziv coding!

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## Successive Wyner-Ziv Coding



We only consider the case when  $S_1 = S_2$

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## Successive Wyner-Ziv Coding

- Successful refinement with side information
  - Generalization of Equitz & Cover'91
- $(X, Y)$  is successively refinable if for any  $D_1 > D_2$ , we can find a code  $(R(D_1), D_1, Y; R(D_2) - R(D_1), D_2, Y)$
- Examples
  - Jointly Gaussian source with MSE distortion measure
    - Important result in practical (e.g., video) applications
  - Doubly-symmetric binary source with the Hamming distortion measure
- Certain sources that are not successively refinable alone can be successively refinable with the help of the side information

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## Successive Wyner-Ziv Coding

- Recall: no rate loss in Wyner-Ziv coding for
  - Quadratic Gaussian source
- Generalization of no rate loss by Pradhan et al.
  - $X=Y+Z$  as long as  $Z$  is Gaussian
- We show such source  $X$  is successively refinable in Wyner-Ziv coding
- Performed layered Wyner-Ziv code design
  - Nested scalar quantization
  - Bit-plane based LDPC code for Slepian-Wolf coding
  - Applied to layered Wyner-Ziv video coding (more later)

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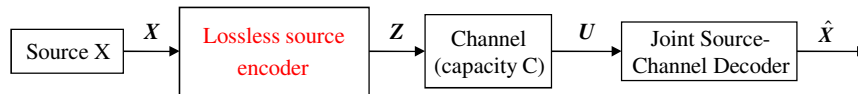
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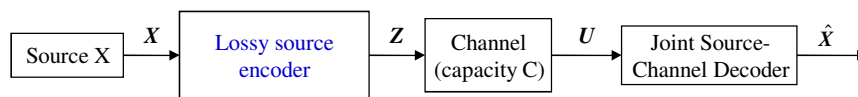
- Lossless source coding with noisy channel



- Separation Theorem for source-channel coding

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- Case 2: Lossy source coding with noisy channel



- Separation Theorem for lossy source-channel coding:

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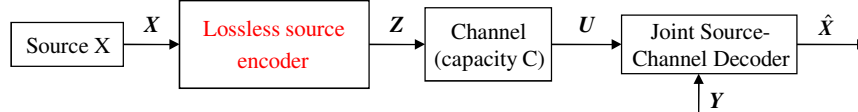
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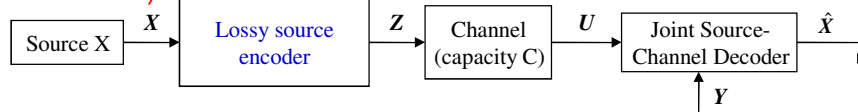
## Distributed Source-channel Coding

- Slepian-Wolf problem with noisy channel (Shamai & Verdu'95)



- Separation Theorem for source-channel coding with side information:  $R_1 \geq H(X|Y)/C$

- Case 2: Wyner-Ziv problem with noisy channel (Shamai, Verdu & Zamir'98)



- Separation Theorem for lossy source-channel coding with side information:

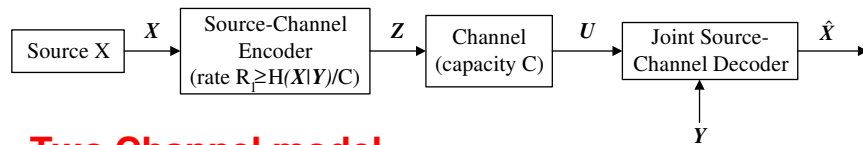
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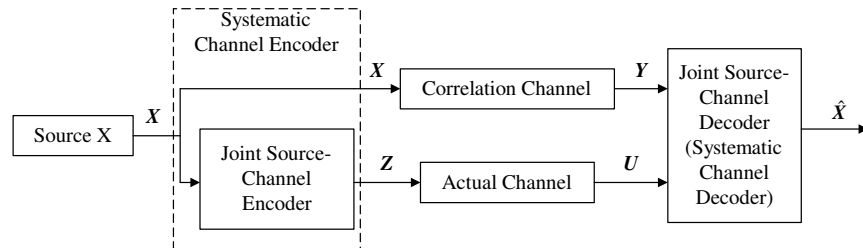
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## Distributed Source-channel Coding



- **Two Channel model**



- **Use of systematic channel/IRA codes**
  - *Different channel conditions for systematic and parity part*

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## Parity-based Approach for Distributed JSCC

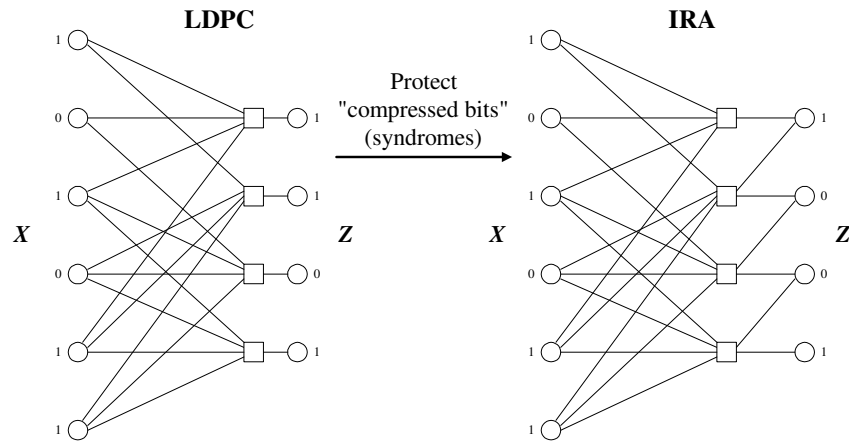
- Syndrome-based approach for Slepian-Wolf coding
  - $(n_s, k_s)$  code,  $n_s$ -bit input  $X$ ,  $(n_s - k_s)$ -bit output **syndrome**  $S$
  - Compression ratio is  $n_s : n_s - k_s = 1 : H(X|Y)$
  - $S = XH$ ;  $H$  has size  $n_s \times (n_s - k_s)$ ; code rate  $k_s/n_s = 1 - H(X|Y)$
  - $X$  &  $Y$  are related by a correlation channel,  $n_s$  bits involved
- Parity-based approach for distributed JSCC
  - $(n_p, k_p)$  code,  $k_p$ -bit input  $X$ ,  $(n_p - k_p)$ -bit output **parity vector**  $C$
  - Compression ratio is  $k_p : n_p - k_p = n_s : n_s - k_s = 1 : H(X|Y)$ 
    - With  **$k_p = n_s$** ;  **$n_p = 2n_s - k_s$**  to establish equivalence in the Slepian-Wolf case
  - $C = XP$  with  $P = H$ ; code rate  $k_p/n_p = 1/(1 + H(X|Y))$ 
    - Virtual correlation channel between  $X$  &  $Y$ ;  $n_s$  bits involved
    - Actual noisy channel that  $C$  goes through;  $n_s - k_s$  bits involved

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# IRA Codes for Distributed JSCC



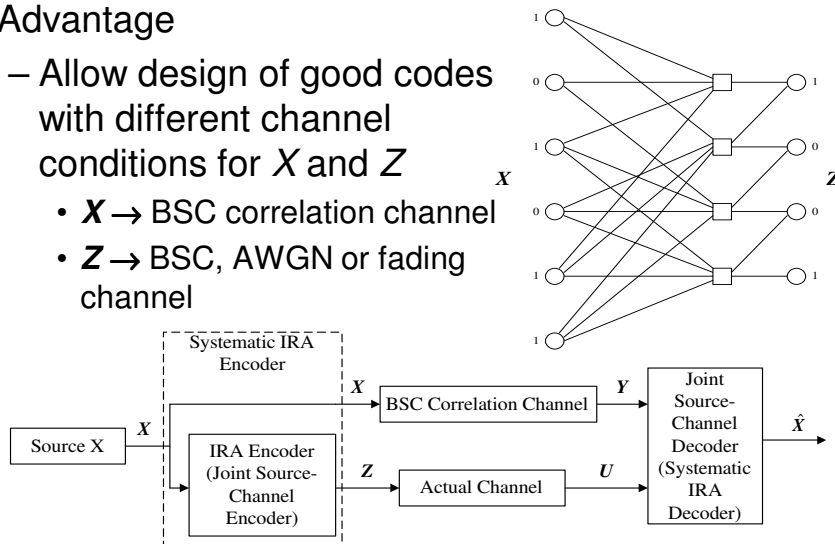
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## IRA Code Design for DJSCC

- Advantage
  - Allow design of good codes with different channel conditions for  $X$  and  $Z$ 
    - $X \rightarrow$  BSC correlation channel
    - $Z \rightarrow$  BSC, AWGN or fading channel



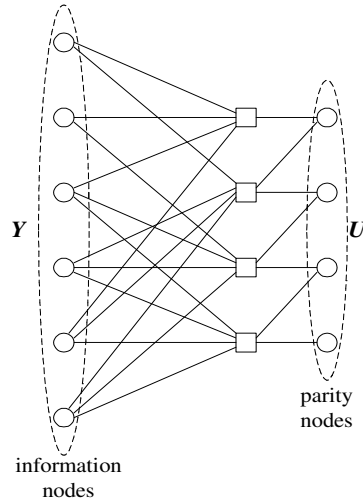
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# IRA Codes: Decoding

- Use of **conventional** iterative algorithm
  - Initialization
    - Side information  $Y$ 
      - Information node input
    - Actual channel output  $U$ 
      - Parity node input
  - No other modification in the iterative decoding algorithm



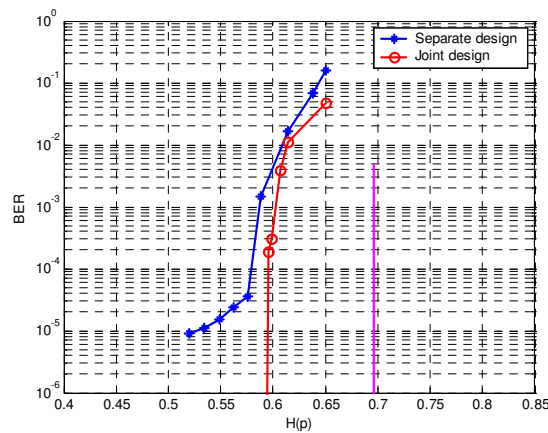
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## Distributed JSCC vs. Separate Coding

- Joint design: Parity-based approach with IRA codes
- Separate design: Slepian-Wolf coding + FEC



Correlation channel:  
BSC with c.o.p =  $p$

Actual noisy channel:  
AWGN channel with  
-5.02dB SNR

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## Comparison with turbo codes (Zhu et al.)

- Source-channel code rate  $R_1=2$ 
  - no compression, factor of 2 expansion
  - Gap from theoretical limit in dB ( $BER \leq 10^{-5}$ )

	AWGN channel		Rayleigh fading	
$\Pr[X_i \neq Y_i]$	turbo	IRA	turbo	IRA
0.3	0.87	0.77	1.16	0.95
0.2	0.87	0.83	1.11	1.36
0.1	1.05	0.78	1.15	1.10

- Distributed JSCC of video (more later)

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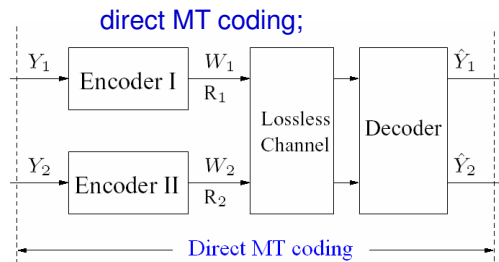
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# Multiterminal (MT) Source Coding

## • Definition

- **Separate lossy** encoding and **joint** decoding of multiple correlated sources.
- Two cases:



- Correlated sources  $Y_1$  &  $Y_2$
- Transmission rates  $(R_1, R_2)$
- Two distortion constraints  $E[d(Y_1, \hat{Y}_1)] \leq D_1, \quad E[d(Y_2, \hat{Y}_2)] \leq D_2$

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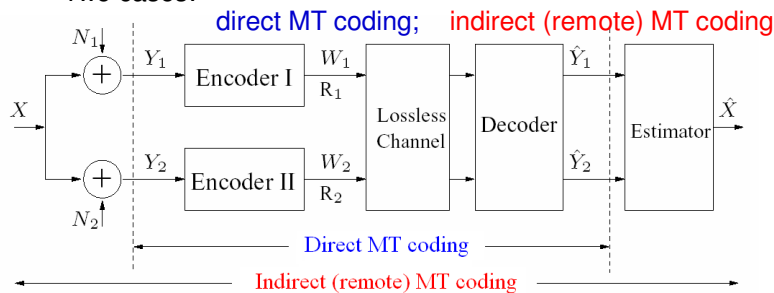
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- $Y_1$  &  $Y_2$ - Noisy observations of the source  $X$
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- Only one distortion constraint  $E[d(X, \hat{X})] \leq D$

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# Theoretical Limits for **Direct** MT Coding

(Berger/Tung'77)

Inner bounds:

Outer bounds:

$$R_1 \geq I(Y_1 Y_2; Z_1 | Z_2),$$

$$R_2 \geq I(Y_1 Y_2; Z_2 | Z_1),$$

$$R_1 + R_2 \geq I(Y_1 Y_2; Z_1 Z_2),$$

where  $Z_1$  and  $Z_2$  are auxiliary random variables such that:

$Z_1 \rightarrow Y_1 \rightarrow Y_2 \rightarrow Z_2$ , and  $(Y_1, Y_2) = g(Z_1, Z_2)$  is decoder estimation function

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# Quadratic Gaussian **Direct** MT Coding

(Two Sources/Encoders)

- Definition**

$(Y_1, Y_2)$  are zero-mean jointly Gaussian sources with variances  $(\sigma_{y1}^2, \sigma_{y2}^2)$  and correlation coefficient  $\rho = \frac{E[Y_1 Y_2]}{\sigma_{y1} \sigma_{y2}}$

- Inner and outer bounds (Oohama'98)**

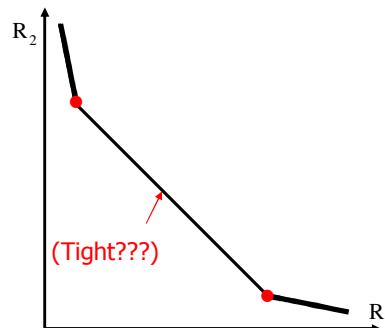
Inner bounds

$$R_1 \geq \frac{1}{2} \log \left[ \frac{\sigma_{y1}^2}{D_1} (1 - \rho^2 + \rho^2 2^{-2R_2}) \right],$$

$$R_2 \geq \frac{1}{2} \log \left[ \frac{\sigma_{y2}^2}{D_2} (1 - \rho^2 + \rho^2 2^{-2R_1}) \right],$$

$$R_1 + R_2 \geq \frac{1}{2} \log \left[ (1 - \rho^2) \frac{\beta_{max} \sigma_{y1}^2 \sigma_{y2}^2}{2 D_1 D_2} \right],$$

$$\beta_{max} = 1 + \sqrt{1 + \frac{4\rho^2 D_1 D_2}{(1 - \rho^2)^2 \sigma_{y1}^2 \sigma_{y2}^2}},$$



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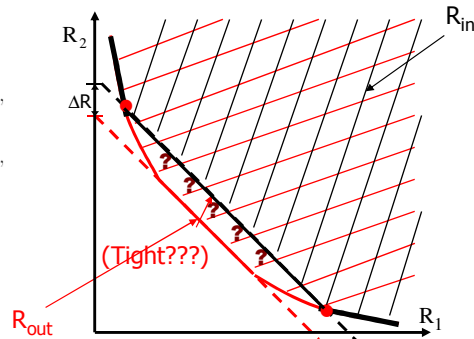
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$$R_1 + R_2 \geq \frac{1}{2} \log \left[ (1 - \rho^2) \frac{\sigma_{y1}^2 \sigma_{y2}^2}{D_1 D_2} \right].$$



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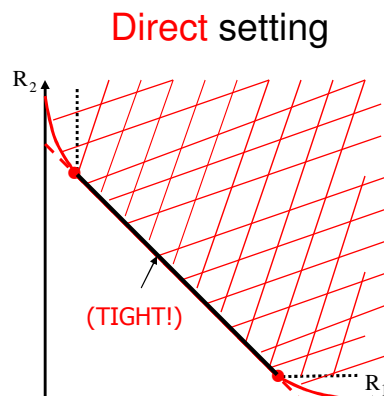
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## Quadratic Gaussian **Direct** MT Coding

(Two Sources/Encoders)

- **Berger-Tung inner bound is tight in the two-terminal case** (Wagner et al. '05)
- **Vector quantization followed by Slepian-Wolf coding is optimal**
- **The rate region still unknown for more than two terminals!!!**



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# Theoretical Limits of Indirect MT Coding

(Yamamoto/Itoh'80)

Inner bounds:

Outer bounds:

$$R_1 \geq I(Y_1 Y_2; Z_1 | Z_2),$$

$$R_2 \geq I(Y_1 Y_2; Z_2 | Z_1),$$

$$R_1 + R_2 \geq I(Y_1 Y_2; Z_1 Z_2),$$

where  $Z_1$  and  $Z_2$  are auxiliary random variables such that:  
 $Z_1 \rightarrow Y_1 \rightarrow Y_2 \rightarrow Z_2$ , and  
 $X = g(Z_1, Z_2)$  is decoder estimation function

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# Quadratic Gaussian Indirect MT Coding

(Oohama'98, Chen et al.'04)

## • Definition

- $X, N_1, N_2$  are zero-mean mutually independent Gaussian random variables with variances  $\sigma_x^2$ ,  $\sigma_{n_1}^2$  and  $\sigma_{n_2}^2$ .
- Two noisy observations:  $Y_1 = X + N_1$ ;  $Y_2 = X + N_2$ ;

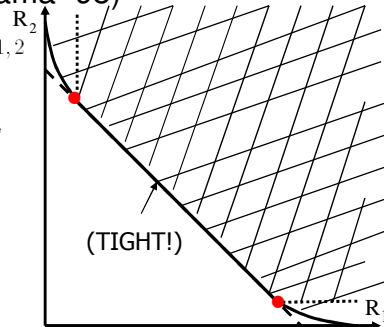
## • Inner sum rate bound (Oohama '98)

$$R_i \geq \frac{1}{2} \log^+ \left[ \frac{2\sigma_x^2}{\sigma_x^2 + D} \cdot \left( 1 - \frac{\sigma_n^2(\sigma_x^2 - D)}{2\sigma_x^2 D} \right)^{-1} \right], i=1,2$$

$$R_1 + R_2 \geq \frac{1}{2} \log^+ \left[ \frac{\sigma_x^2}{D} \cdot \left( 1 - \frac{\sigma_n^2(\sigma_x^2 - D)}{2\sigma_x^2 D} \right)^{-2} \right],$$

This inner bound is **TIGHT!**

(Oohama'99  
Prabhakaran, Tse, & Ramchandran'04)



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## MT Source Code Design

- **Large** body of theoretical work, **few** practical code designs
- Past works on code design for indirect setting
  - Flynn & Gray'88: index reuse
  - Pradhan & Ramchandran'03:
    - Scalar quantization + trellis code
  - Our work: (DCC'04 & DCC'05)
    - Classical source coding + Wyner-Ziv coding
    - TCQ for SC + Slepian-Wolf coded TCQ for Wyner-Ziv
    - 0.15 b/s gap to the inner bound
- Past works on code design for direct setting
  - None

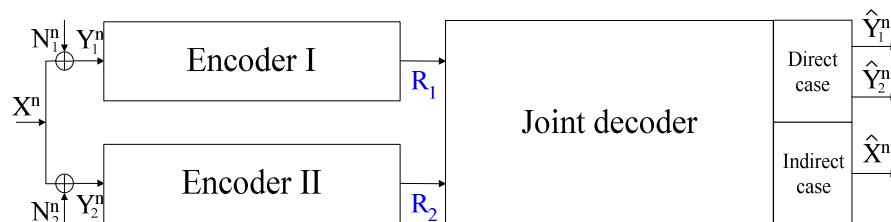
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## Proposed Code Design (Slepian-Wolf Coded Quantization)

- **Main idea: Slepian-Wolf coding after quantization**



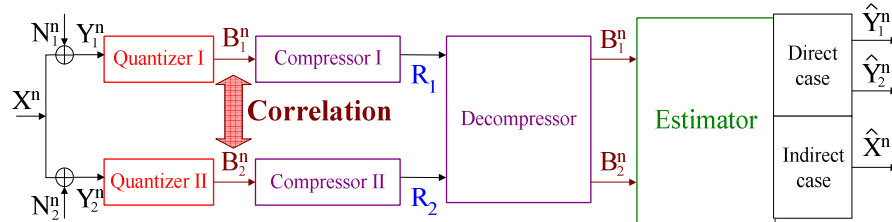
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- Quantization + Compression
- Correlation between  $B_1^n = Q(Y_1^n)$  and  $B_2^n = Q(Y_2^n)$

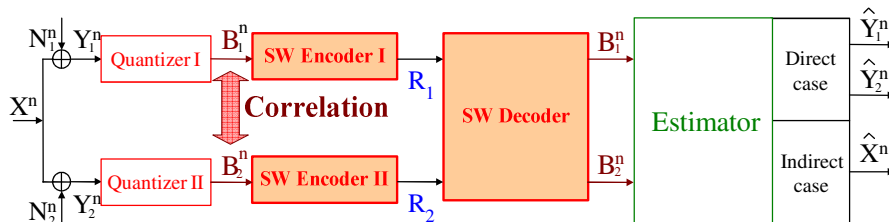
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- Quantization + Compression
- Correlation between  $B_1^n = Q(Y_1^n)$  and  $B_2^n = Q(Y_2^n)$
- Compression  $\rightarrow$  SW coding
- Achieving sum-rate of  $H(B_1^n, B_2^n)$

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## Proposed Code Design (Slepian-Wolf Coded Quantization)

$$\text{Quantization} + \left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{Asymmetric SW coding} \\ \text{Symmetric SW coding} \end{array} \right\} = \left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{Asymmetric SWCQ} \\ \text{Symmetric SWCQ} \end{array} \right.$$

- Asymmetric SWCQ
  - Easily achieves the corner points of the inner bounds
    - Our work (DCC'04) for indirect MT coding: 0.15b/s loss
 
$$H(B_1^n, B_2^n) = H(B_1^n) + H(B_2^n | B_1^n)$$
  - With time sharing it can achieve any point
  - Using **source splitting** to achieve any point
- Symmetric SWCQ
  - Achieves any point on the inner bounds

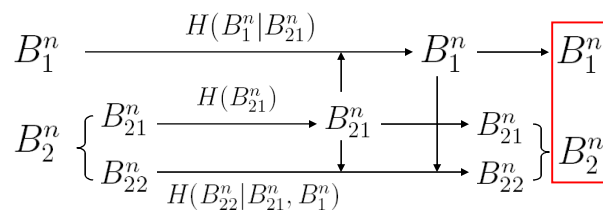
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## Asymmetric SWCQ Based on Source Splitting

- Motivation
  - To achieve any point on theoretical bounds
- Source splitting
  - Introduced by Rimoldi and Urbanke for SW coding;
  - Main idea:



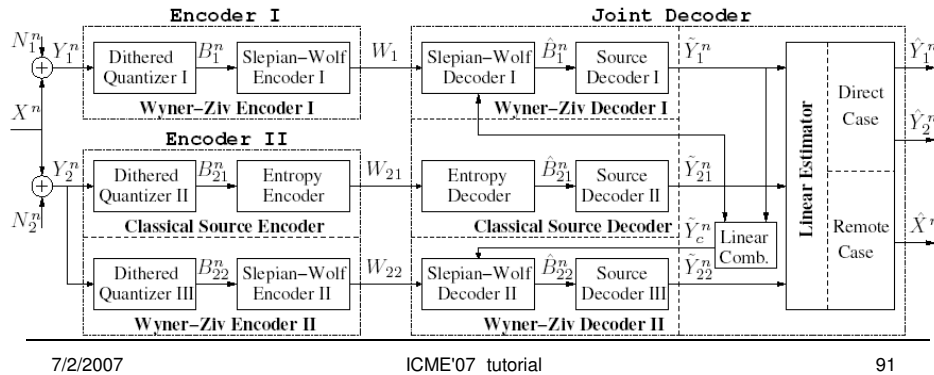
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## Asymmetric SWCQ Based on Source Splitting

- 3 steps for MT coding
  - Classical source coding for the first source;
  - Wyner-Ziv coding for the second given the decoded first source as side information
  - Using the two decoded sources as side information, additional rate is spent on the first source in a second Wyner-Ziv coding step.



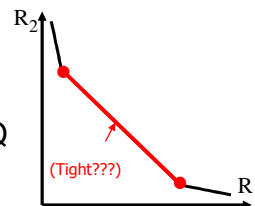
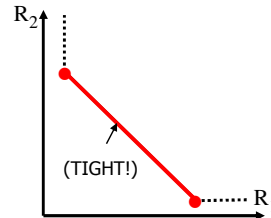
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## Asymmetric SWCQ Based on Source Splitting

- Given **ideal** source coding, **ideal** SW coding, and  $B_1 \rightarrow Y_1 \rightarrow Y_2 \rightarrow (B_{21}, B_{22})$ ,  $B_{21} \rightarrow Y_2 \rightarrow B_{22}$ , we have
- Theorem 2:**  
Any rate pair  $(R_1, R_2)$  on the sum-rate bound of the indirect MT problem is achievable with our asymmetric SWCQ design.
- Theorem 3:**  
Any rate pair  $(R_1, R_2)$  on the **inner** sum-rate bound of the direct MT problem is achievable with our asymmetric SWCQ design.

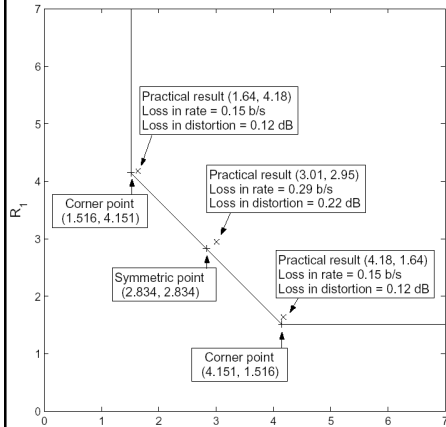


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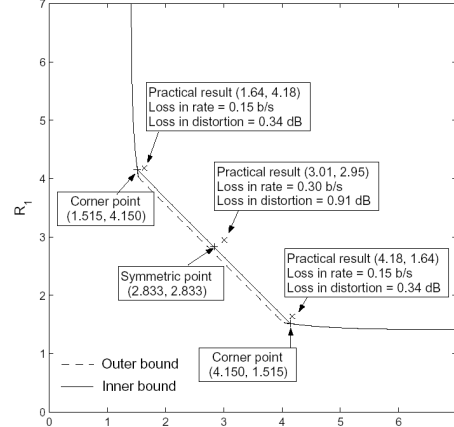
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## Simulation Results (with Asymmetric SWCQ)



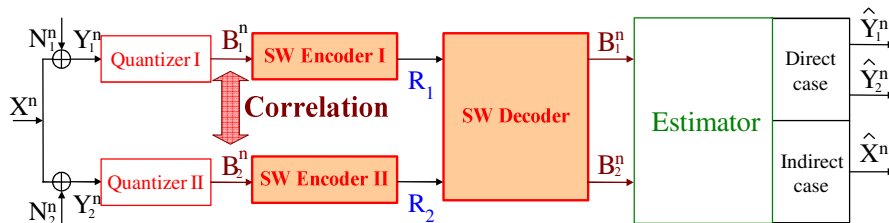
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## Symmetric SWCQ



- TCQ + **symmetric** Slepian-Wolf compression
  - Based on channel code partitioning
- Correlation between  $B_1^n = Q(Y_1^n)$  and  $B_2^n = Q(Y_2^n)$
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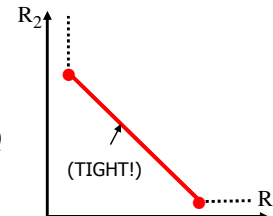
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## Symmetric SWCQ -- Theorems

- Given **ideal** source coding, **ideal** SW coding, and Markov chain  $B_1 \rightarrow Y_1 \rightarrow Y_2 \rightarrow B_2$ , we have

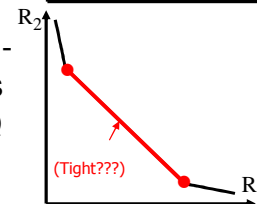
- Theorem 4:**

Any rate pair  $(R_1, R_2)$  on the sum-rate bound of the **indirect** MT problem is achievable with our symmetric SWCQ design.



- Theorem 5:**

Any rate pair  $(R_1, R_2)$  on the inner sum-rate bound of the **direct** MT problem is achievable with our symmetric SWCQ design.



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## Simulation Results (with symmetric SWCQ)

- $q=0.38$ ,  $\rho=0.941$ ,  $D=-13.16\text{dB}$ ,  $D_1=D_2=-15.32\text{dB}$
- Inner sum-rate bound  $R_{\min}=3.56 \text{ b/s}$
- Joint entropy  $H(B_1, B_2)$

Bitplane	$H(B_1, B_2)$	$\frac{1}{n}H(U_1^n, V_1^n)$	$H(U_2, V_2 \mathcal{M}_1)$	$H(U_3, V_3 \mathcal{M}_2)$
Theoretical value	3.699	1.979	1.274	0.446
Practical results	3.853	2.000	1.322	0.531
Loss	0.154	0.021	0.048	0.085

- Inherent loss  $3.699-3.56=0.14 \text{ b/s}$ 
  - From source coding
- Trellis bit plane:  $0.021 \text{ b/s}$  loss
- Turbo code based design
  - Block length  $n=5 \cdot 10^5$   $\text{BER} < 10^{-6}$
  - Rate-2/3 turbo code for  $U_2V_2$  –  $0.048 \text{ b/s}$  loss
  - Rate-26/27 turbo code for  $U_3V_3$  –  $0.085 \text{ b/s}$  loss
- Overall loss:  $3.85-3.56 = 0.29 \text{ b/s}$

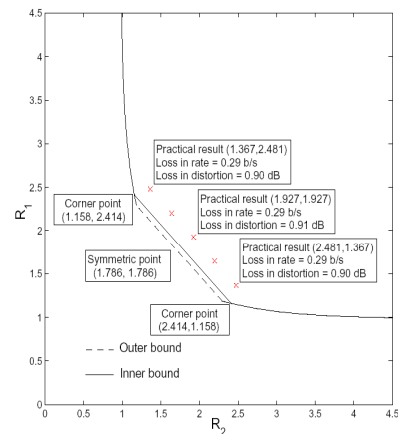
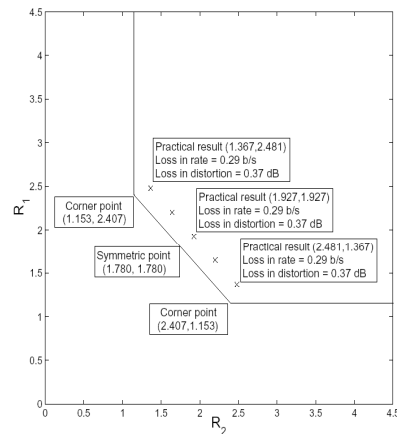
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## Simulation Results (with Asymmetric SWCQ)



(a) Indirect MT:  $D = -13.16$  dB, CSNR = 12.05 dB      (b) Direct MT:  $D_1 = D_2 = -15.32$  dB,  $\rho = 0.94$

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## Summary on MT Source Code Designs

- A general SWCQ framework for both direct and indirect MT coding problems
- Two practical code designs: **symmetric** and **asymmetric** SWCQ
- Assuming ideal source coding, ideal SW coding, and the Markov chains, each design can achieve any point on the inner bound of the rate regions for both the quadratic Gaussian direct and indirect MT problems
- Practical results are very close to the theoretical limits: **0.29 b/s** loss in rate, **0.90 dB** loss in distortion
- Applications in MT video coding (**more later**)

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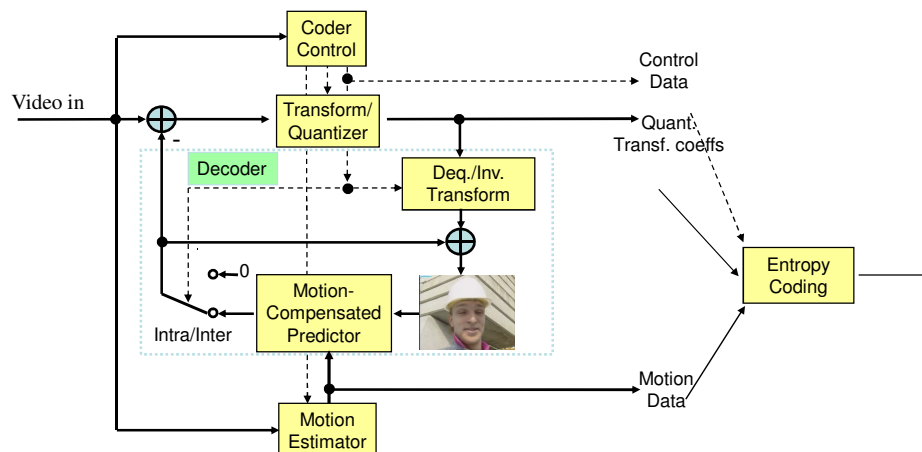
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# Background on Video Coding

- Standard motion-compensated video coding



Standards: H.261, MPEG-1, MPEG-2, H.263, MPEG-4, H.264/AVC

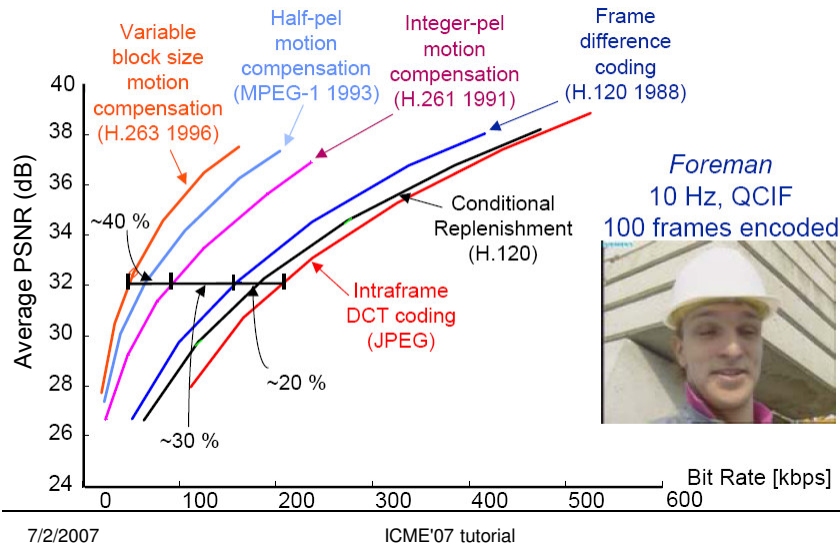
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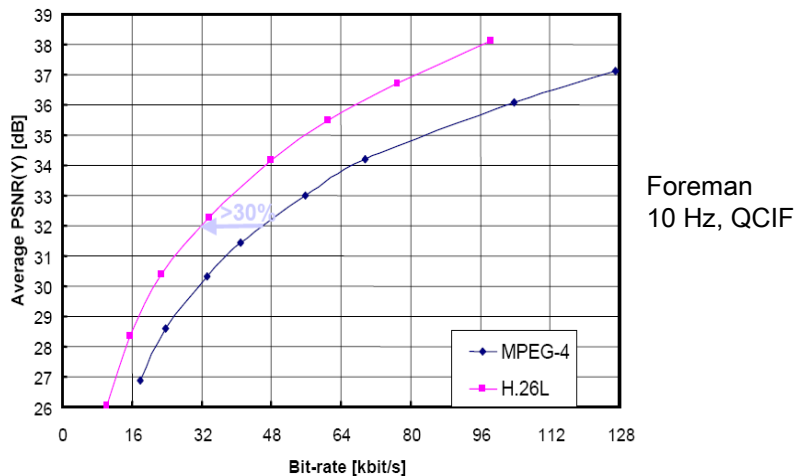
## Background on Video Coding

- Performance improvement (H.261 -> MPGE-1 -> H.263)



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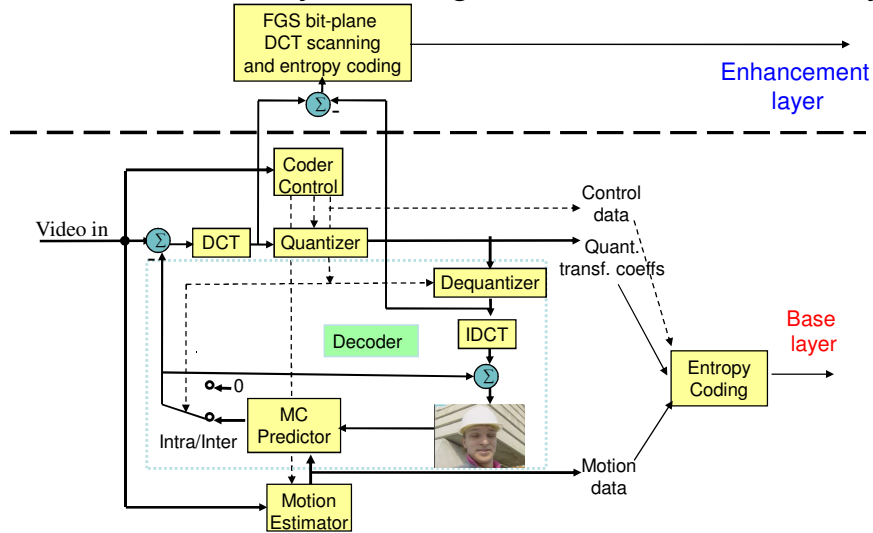
- Performance improvement (MPGE-4 -> H.264)



- H.264 achieves twice as much compression as MPEG-2 at the same quality

## Background on Video Coding

- Standard base layer coding + FGS enhancement layer



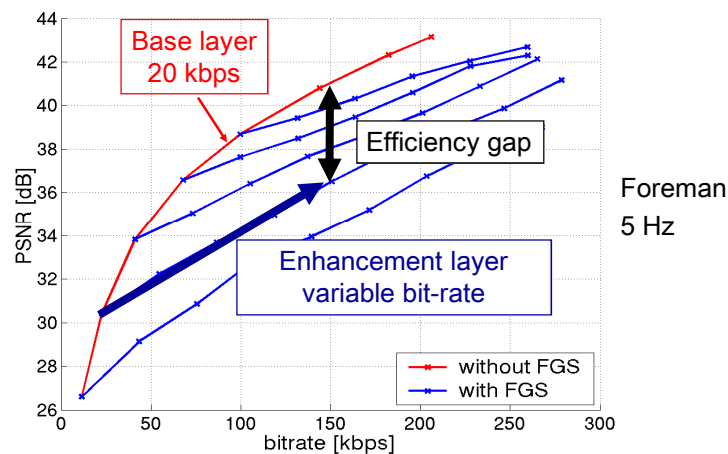
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## Background on Video Coding

- H.264 with/without FGS coding



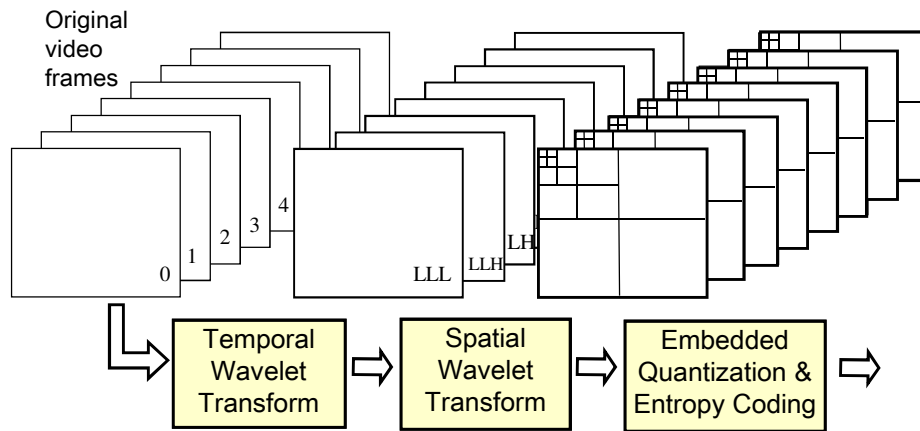
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## Background on Video Coding

- 3-D wavelet video coding (Woods, Taubman, et al)



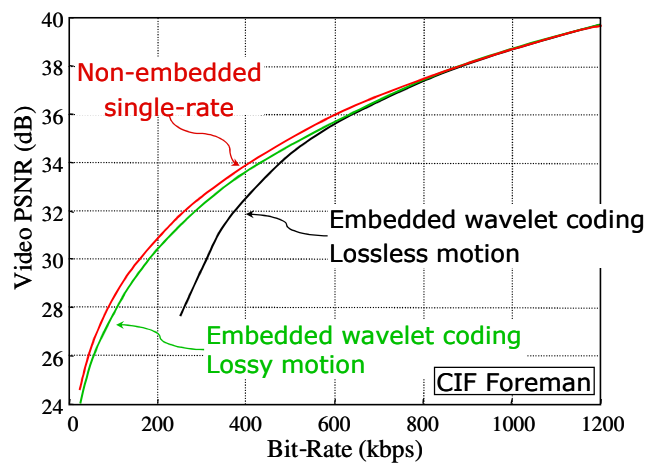
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## Background on Video Coding

- Performance comparison (H.264, wavelet video coding)



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## Distributed Video Coding

- H.264/AVC
  - Achieves twice as much compression as the successful MPEG-2 at the same quality
  - Very difficult to have another factor of two improvement
- New applications (e.g., camera arrays) demand novel approaches
  - Theoretical foundation of distributed source coding laid 30+ years ago
  - Limit-approaching code designs for ideal sources devised in recent years
  - Time is ripe for distributed video coding (DVC)
- MPEG recently identified DVC as one of the future directions of video compression
  - Heavy research on DVC (US, Europe/DISCOVER, and China)

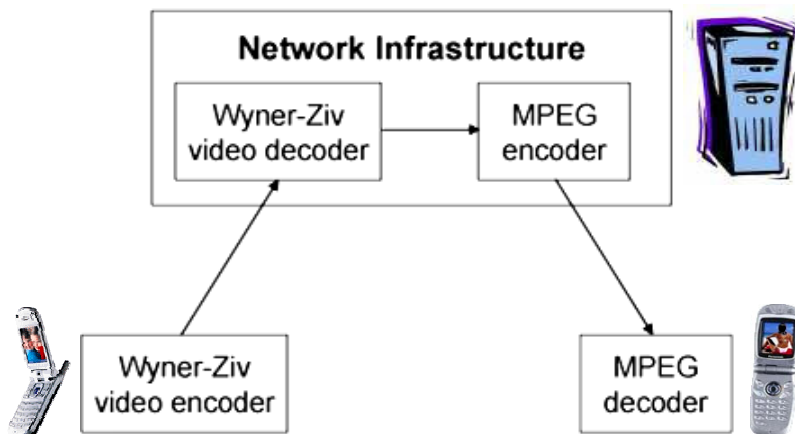
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## Distributed Video Coding

- Promising applications
  - Low-complexity wireless video



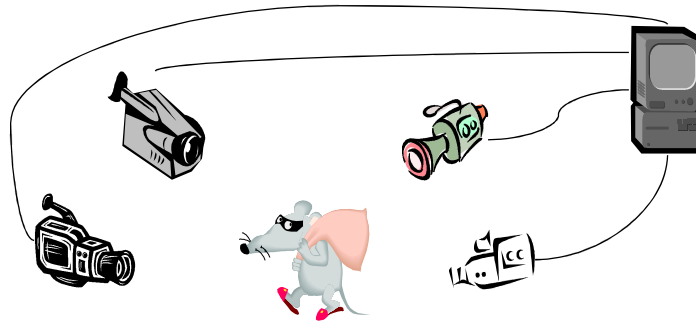
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## Distributed Video Coding

- Promising applications
  - Video surveillance and sensor networks



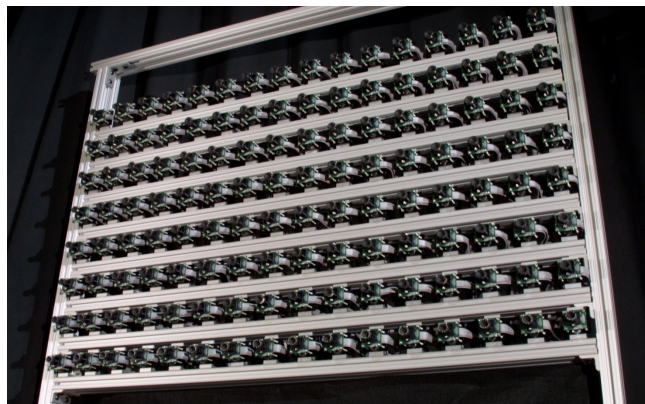
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## Distributed Video Coding

- Promising applications
  - Camera arrays (Stanford and Tsinghua)



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## Distributed Video Coding

- The idea of DVC was first patented in 1980 by Witsenhausen and Wyner
  - US patent 4191970: Interface coder for video signals

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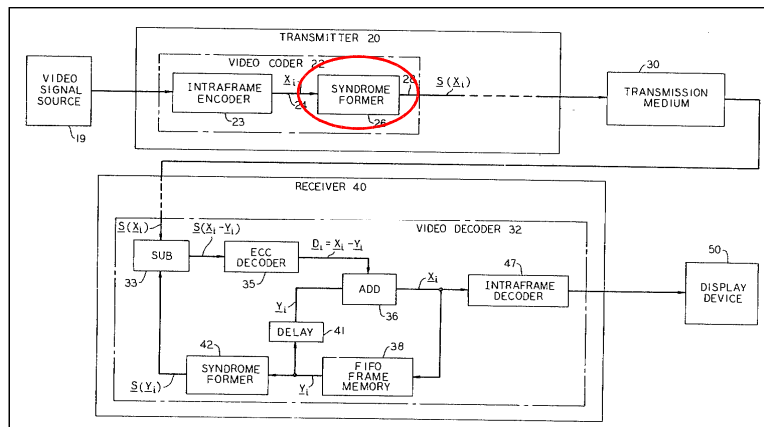
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## Distributed Video Coding

- Key drawing in Witsenhausen & Wyner's patent



- No practical implementation
  - First practical system: **PRISM from Berkeley**

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# Distributed Video Coding

- Target at low-complexity encoding
  - PRISM (Ramchandran)
  - DCT-domain Wyner-Ziv video coding (Gorid)
- Layered Wyner-Ziv coding
  - Xiong, Ortega, Sehgal & Jagmohan, and Ramchandran
  - Others ?
- Target at error-robustness
  - Sehgal & Jagmohan, Xiong, Ramchandran, Girod
  - Others ?
- Focus on correlation estimation
  - Delp, DISCOVER team
- Multiterminal video coding
  - Xiong, Ramchandran, DISCOVER team, Microsoft, China

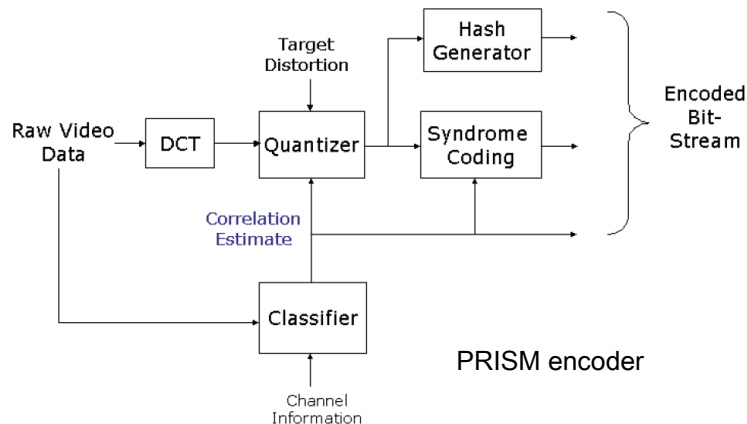
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## Distributed Video Coding

- PRISM in non-MC mode (Ramchandran)
  - **Encoder** relies on off-line training for correlation estimation
  - BCH-based syndrome coding and CRC-based hash



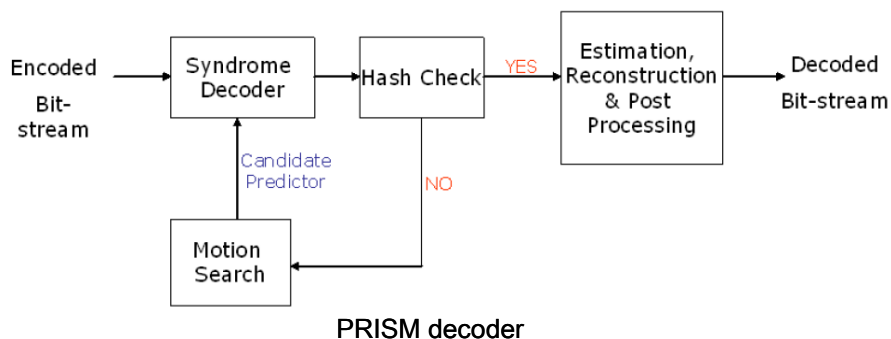
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## Distributed Video Coding

- PRISM in non-MC mode (Ramchandran)
  - **Decoder** performs motion search, syndrome decoding and hash check
  - Joint decoding involves estimation and post-processing



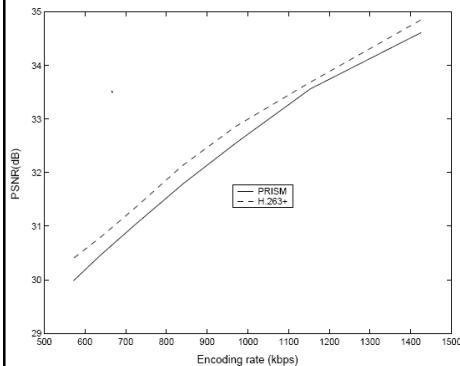
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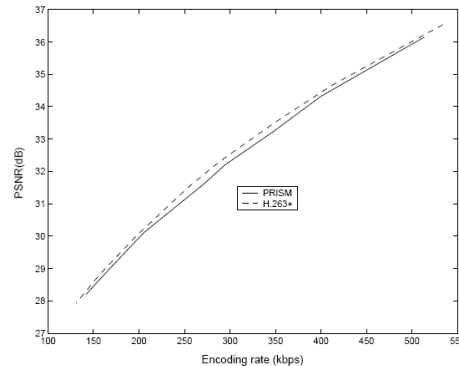
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# Distributed Video Coding

- PRISM in full-MC mode (Ramchandran)
  - Syndrome-based coding after MC
  - Performance close to that of H.263+



Football, 15 Hz



QCIF Stefan, 15 Hz

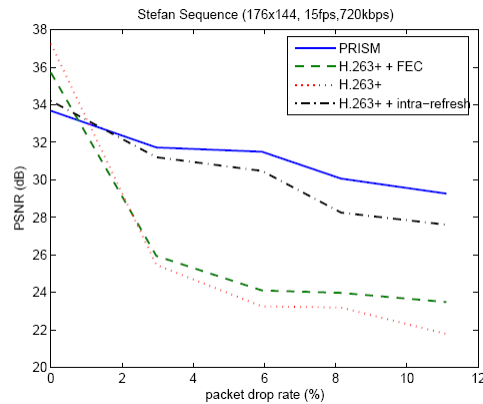
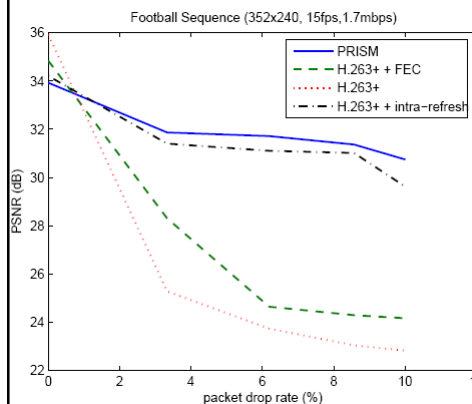
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# Distributed Video Coding

- PRISM in non-MC mode (Ranchandran)
  - Worse compression performance than H.263+
  - But more robust against transmission errors



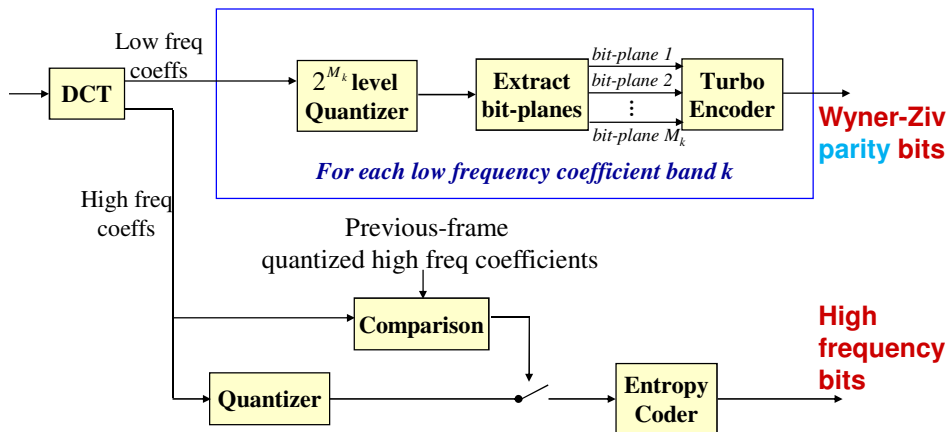
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# Distributed Video Coding

- DCT-domain Wyner-Ziv video encoder (Girod)



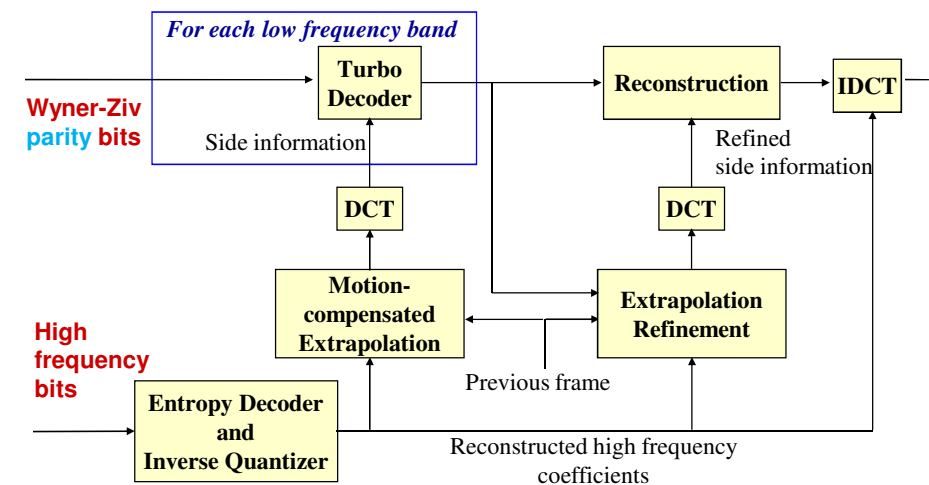
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- DCT-domain Wyner-Ziv video decoder (Girod)



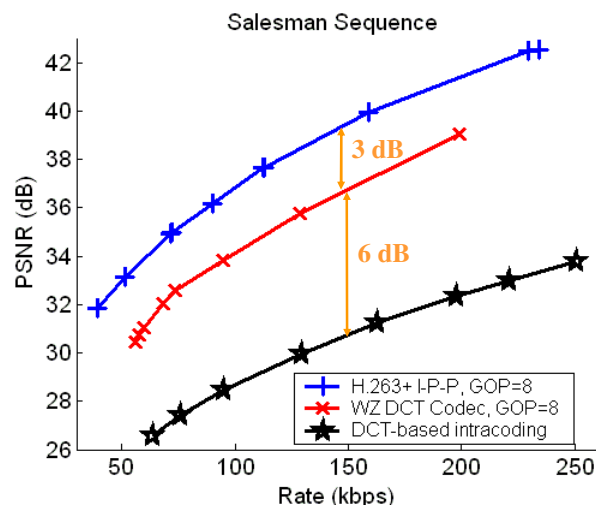
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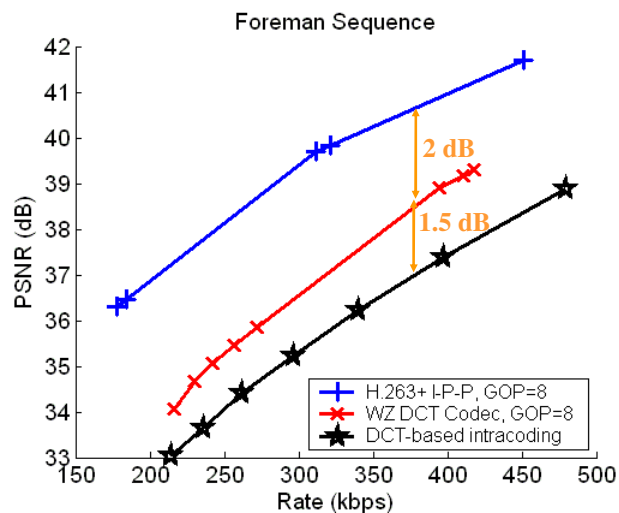
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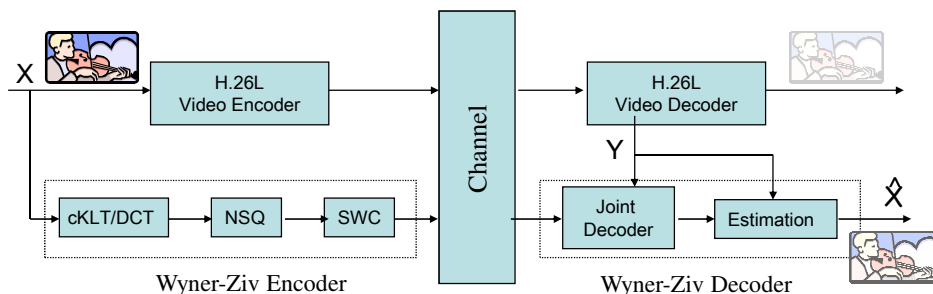
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# Layered Wyner-Ziv Video Coding

- H.26L based layer as decoder side information
- DCT as an approximation to the conditional KLT (Gastpar et al '03)
- Nested scalar quantization (NSQ)
- LDPC code based bit plane coding for SWC



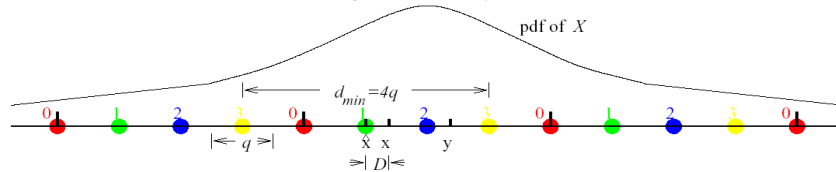
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## Nested Scalar Quantization

- NSQ is a **binning** process that partitions the input into cosets and outputs only the coset indices



- A coarse coset channel code nested in a fine uniform scalar quantizer
  - N: nesting ratio
  - Quantization error  $D_{sc} = q^2/12$
  - $D_{cc}$  is inversely proportional to  $d_{min} = Nq$
- For a fixed N, optimal q searched to minimize  $D = D_{sc} + D_{cc}$

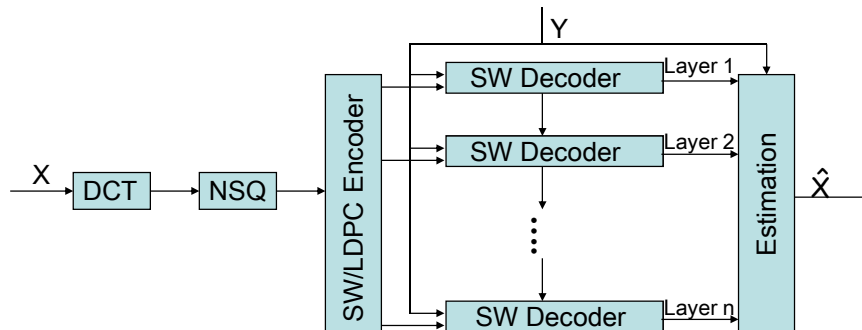
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## Multilevel Slepian-Wolf Coding

- LDPC code based bit plane coding for SWC
  - Each bit plane coded into one layer – layered bitstream
  - Exploits the correlation between the quantized version of the source and the side information



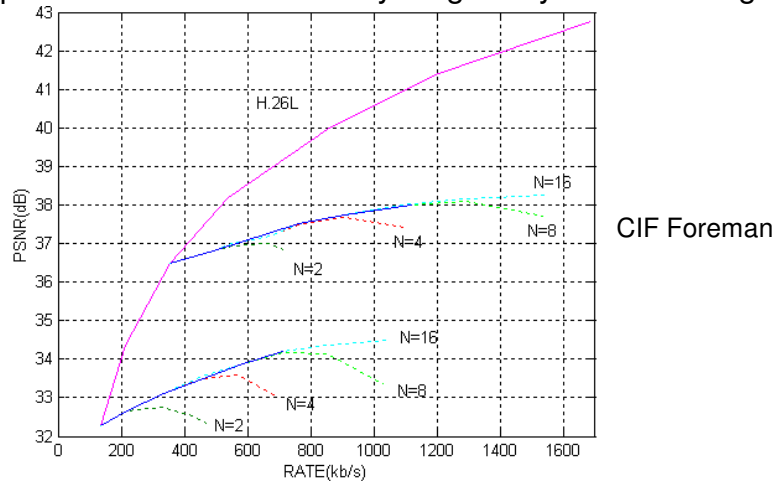
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## Successive Refinement

- Assume ideal Slepian-Wolf coding
  - No performance loss due to layering in Wyner-Ziv coding



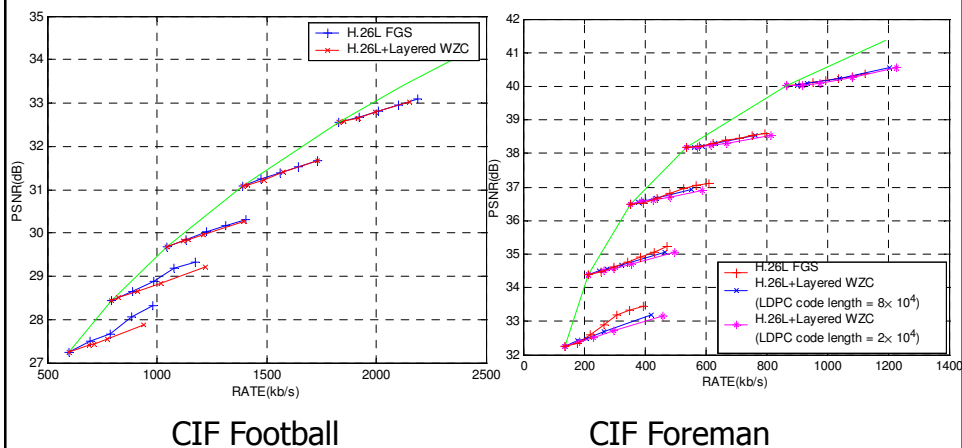
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## Layered Wyner-Ziv Video Coding

- Results (slightly worse than H.26L-FGS at high rate)



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## WZC of video for Error Resilience

- Similar to Fine Granularity Scalable (FGS) coding
  - Having an embedded enhancement layer with good R-D performance
- Key advantage: error robustness over H.26L FGS
  - FGS coding: Encode the difference between the original video and the base layer reconstruction as the enhancement layer
  - Wyner-Ziv video coding: Use the H.26L coded version as the side information, and apply WZC to the original video

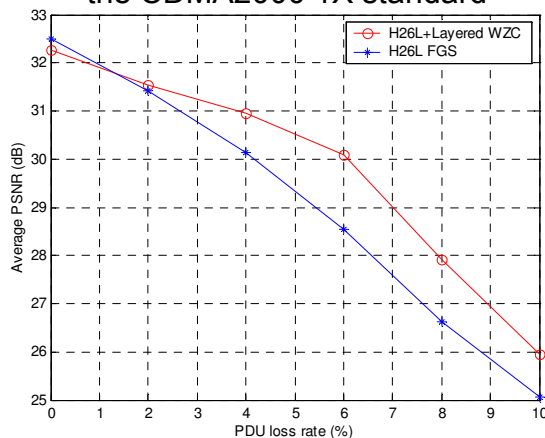
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## Advantage over H.26L-FGS Coding

- Simulation with Qualcomm wireless channel simulator
  - Add packet errors to streams of RTP packets conforming to the CDMA2000 1X standard



“Football” sequence, IPPPP

Both the base layer and the enhancement layers are packetized and protected with rate 0.80 RS code before being transmitted through the simulator

Performance averaged over 200 transmissions

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## Advantage over H.26L-FGS Coding

- Error resilience against errors in the base layer



H.26L-FGS

H.26L+WZC

CIF Foreman (5% lost macroblocks in the base layer)

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## WZC of Video for Error Resilience

- Example: The 10<sup>th</sup> decoded frames of Football
  - Protected with rate 0.80 RS-based FEC, and transmitted over a simulated CDMA2000 1X channel with 6% PDU loss rate



FGS coding  
PSNR = 23.9 dB



Layered Wyner-Ziv video  
coding PSNR = 28.8 dB

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# Distributed joint source-channel coding

- The Slepian-Wolf coded syndromes are very sensitive to channel errors
- Efficient channel codes are needed to protect the syndromes
- Approach one (PCS'04)
  - Combined Wyner-Ziv coding and channel coding
    - Wyner-Ziv coding and fountain codes for receiver-driver layered multicast (RLM)
- Approach two (DCC'05 & ICIP'05)
  - Parity-based distributed JSCC (one channel code for both Slepian-Wolf coding and error protection)
    - Distributed JSCC of video using raptor codes (IRA precode + LT code)

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## From RS to Raptor Codes

- Reed-Solomon codes (1960)
  - Capacity achieving
  - Quadratic encoding/decoding complexity
- Tornado codes (Luby et al.'97)
  - Slightly below the capacity
  - Linear encoding/decoding complexity
- **Rateless** digital fountain codes
  - Developed from Tornado codes
    - LT codes (Luby'98)
    - Raptor codes (Shokrollahi'01)
      - A linear precode + LT code

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## Digital Fountain



- Data is like water (Luby):
  - We do not care **what drops** we get
  - We do not care **if some spills**
  - We just want **enough** to get through the pipe

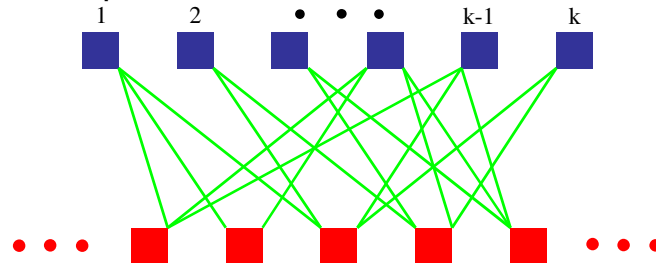
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## LT Codes

- The first realization of a digital fountain
- Example



- Any  $k(1+\epsilon)$  received symbols will guarantee symbol recovery
- Rateless codes – potentially unlimited number of symbols can be generated **on the fly**

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## Fountain Codes for Multicast

- Packets are generated on the fly at the server (to form a digital fountain)
- Receivers can join the multicast group to “drink” from it just long enough to receive enough packets
- Linear encoding/decoding complexity
- Near-capacity performance

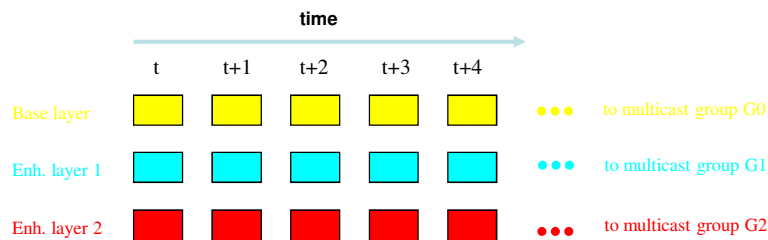
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## Receiver-driven Layered Multicast (RLM)

- Layered source coding
- Each layer sent to different multicast group



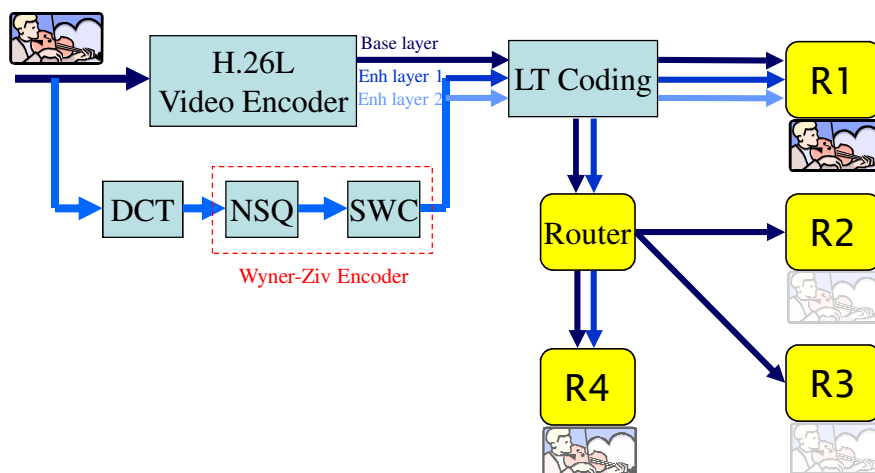
- Receivers subscribe to as many layers as possible (within their resource constraints)

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## Wyner-Ziv Video Coding and Fountain Codes for RLM



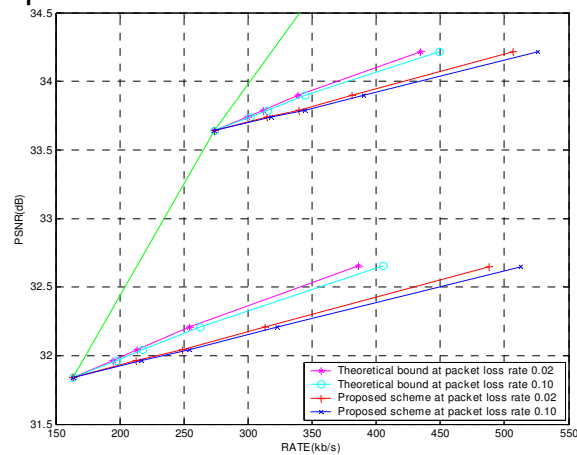
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## Experiment Results

- Coding performance with perfect base layer and the different packet loss rates for the enhancement layers



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Only 0.07 b/s away from the theoretical limit

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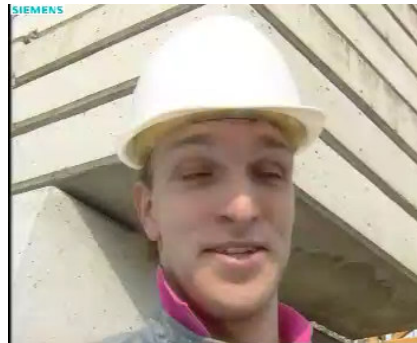
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## Experiment Results (PCS'04)



First multicast group (273 Kb/s)

*PSNR = 33.6dB*



Second multicast group (431 Kb/s)

*PSNR = 34.2 dB*

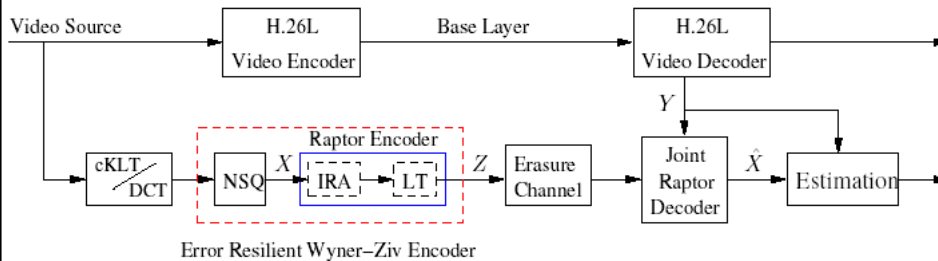
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## JSCC of Video Using Raptor Codes

- Distributed JSCC for video transmission over packet erasure channels



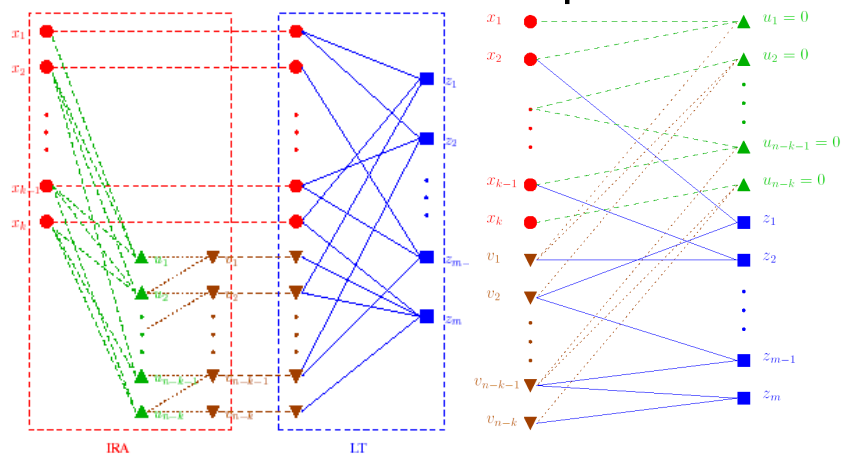
- A **single** raptor code for both SWC and erasure protection (IRA precode and LT code)
- Raptor codes – the best approximation to a digital fountain

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## JSCC of Video Using Raptor Codes



- **IRA codes: Good candidate for distributed JSCC**
  - Parity part for the real channel; systematic part for the correlation channel
  - A **bias** towards selecting IRA parity symbols versus systematic symbols in forming the bipartite graph of the LT code

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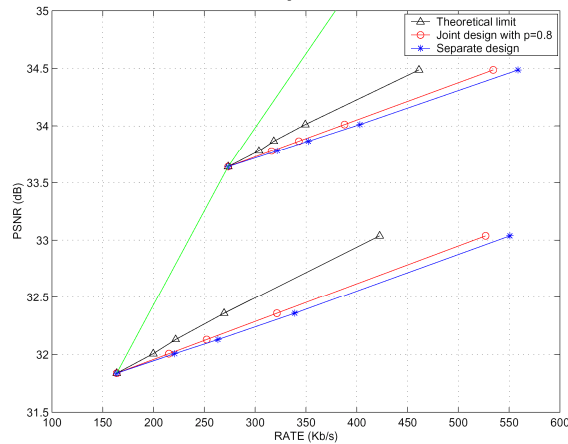
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## DJSCC Simulations

- Coding performance with perfect base layer and packet loss rate for the enhancement layer is 0.1



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7-9% less number of packets are required with the joint Raptor design

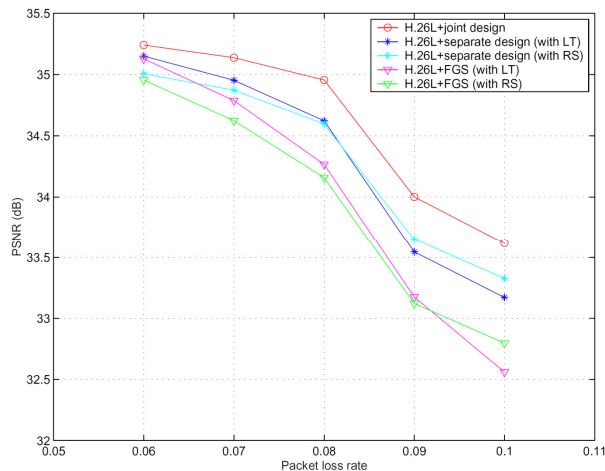
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## DJSCC Simulations

- Coding performance with corrupted base layer



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- All five schemes are designed assuming channel packet loss ratio 0.1
- Performance averaged over all 20 frames and 100 transmissions

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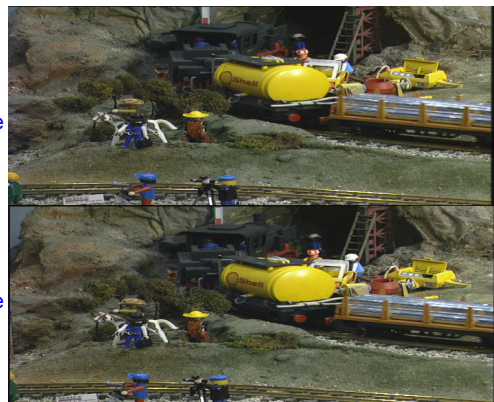
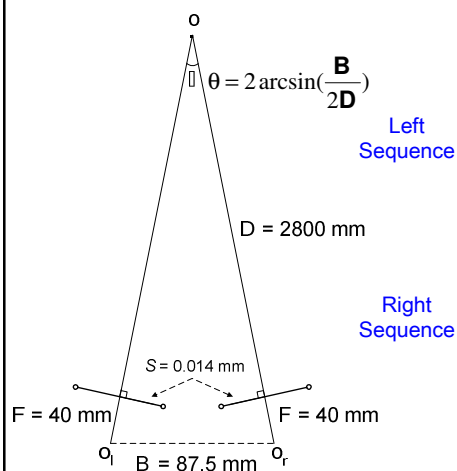
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# Multiterminal Video Coding

- Stereo camera setup (in a video sensor network)



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## MT Video Coding

- Overview of proposed scheme (along the line of Slepian-Wolf coded quantization)
  - The left sequence coded with standard H.264 (IPPP...P)
  - Compression of the first I-frame of the right sequence
    - Low-quality H.264 intra coding + Wyner-Ziv enhancement
  - Compression of the P-frames of the right sequence
    - BP based **stereo matching** -> disparity map at joint decoder
    - **Motion fusion** -> estimate of right motion field
    - Generation of side information
      - For motion vectors of the right sequence
      - For H.264 **MC residual frames** of the right sequence
    - Slepian-Wolf coding of motion vectors of the right sequence
    - Wyner-Ziv coding of MC residual frames

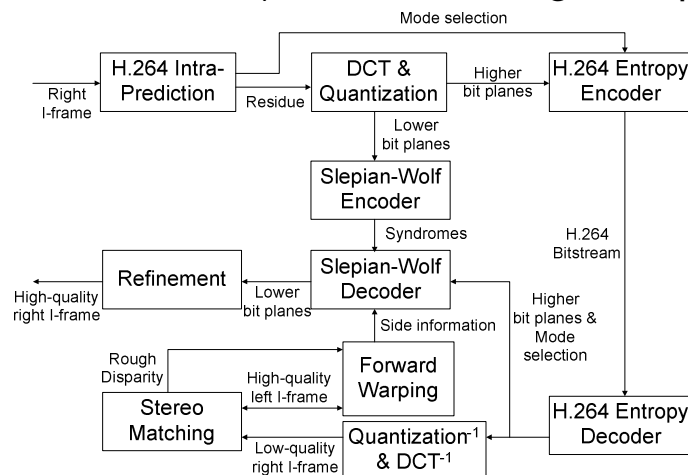
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## MT Video Coding

- Proposed scheme (for I-frame of right sequence)



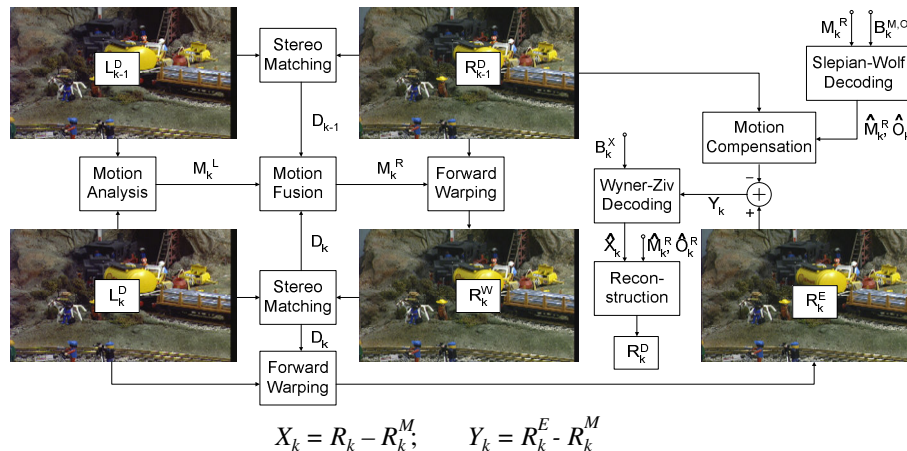
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# MT Video Coding

- Proposed scheme (for P-frames of right sequence)



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# MT Video Coding

- Stereo matching (a large body of works from computer vision)
  - Minimizes the image dissimilarity energy
  - Quantitative evaluations of different stereo matching algorithms
    - <http://cat.middlebury.edu/stereo>
    - BP based stereo matching is among the best
  - Our pick: the algorithm of Sun et al. '03 at Microsoft
    - Three coupled Markov random fields (a smooth disparity field, a spatial line process, and a binary occlusion process)

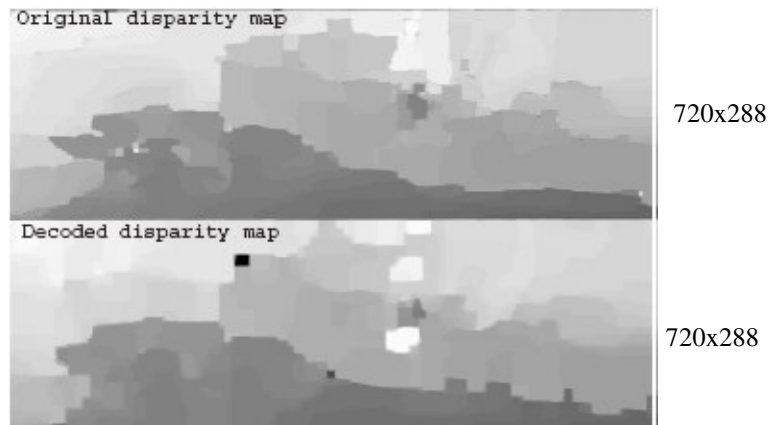
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## MT Video Coding

- Disparity map from a simplified stereo matching algorithm



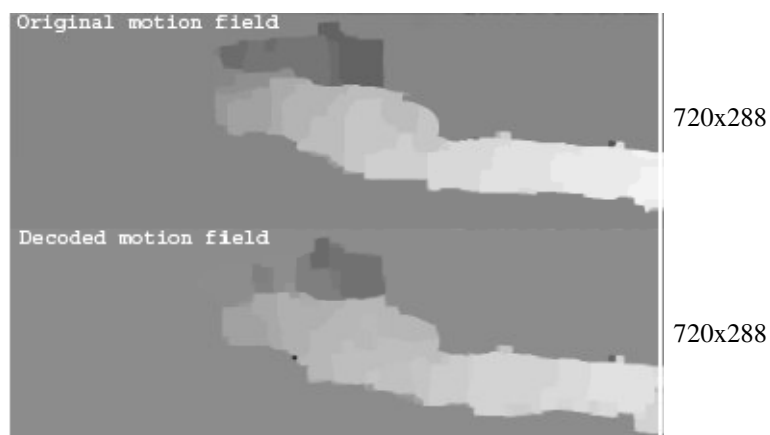
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## MT Video Coding

- Motion field (in the left sequence) from motion analysis using a stereo-matching-like algorithm



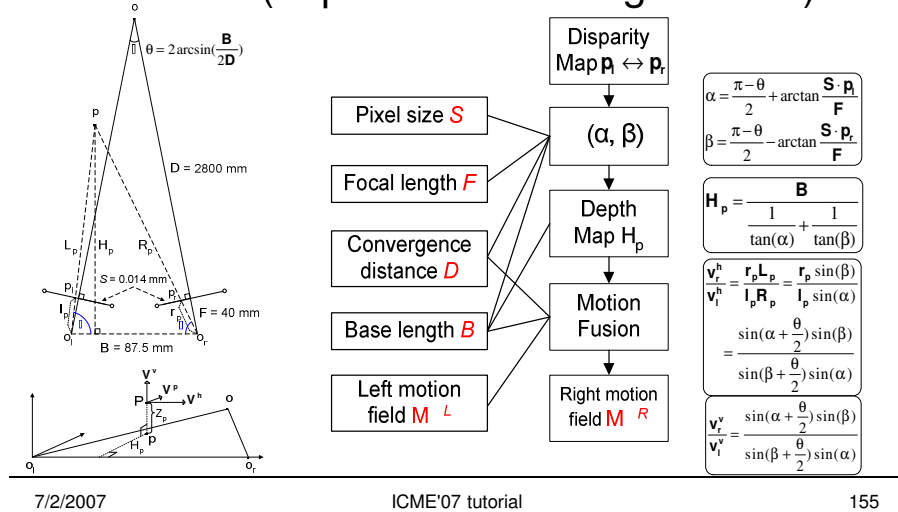
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## MT Video Coding

- Motion fusion of the disparity map and the left motion field (to predict the 2<sup>nd</sup> right frame)



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## MT Video Coding

- H.264 experiment parameters

	Low rate regime	High rate regime
Total # of frames	20	20
QP I frame	35	$Q_h=22, Q_l=34$
QP P frames	33	20
Motion search	16x16,8x16,16x8	16x16,8x16,16x8
MV precision	quarter-pel	quarter-pel
Bit rate (both)	860.6 kb/s	6501.0 kb/s
Average PSNR	31.14 dB	40.59 dB

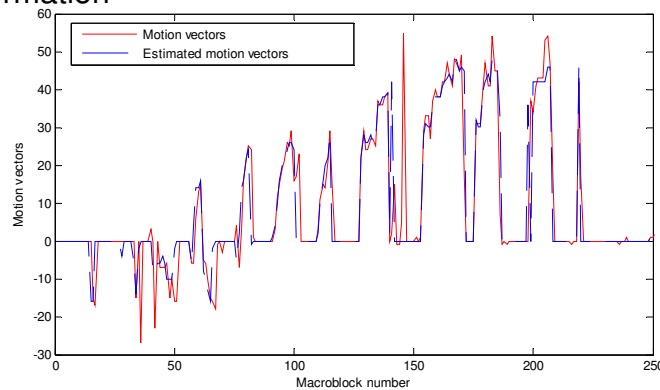
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## MT Video Coding

- Experimental results
  - Motion vectors of the right sequence and our generated side information



- Most challenging part: **Correlation modeling**

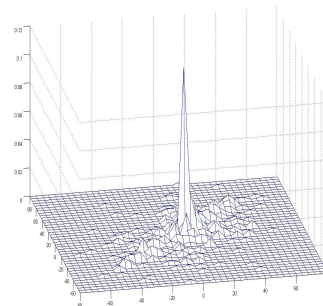
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## MT Video Coding

- Correlation modeling (motion vectors)
  - Motion vector difference (MVD)
    - Explores memory in motion vectors:  $MVD = MV - MV_p$
    - Used by H.264 for motion vector compression
  - Collect joint statistics of MVDs and estimated MVDs for all 19 P-frames: a generic model
  - Multilevel Slepian-Wolf coding of MVDs for each frame
    - Generate conditional probabilities based on the generic model
    - Top bit-planes: LDPC code based Slepian-Wolf coding
    - Bottom bit-planes: entropy coding



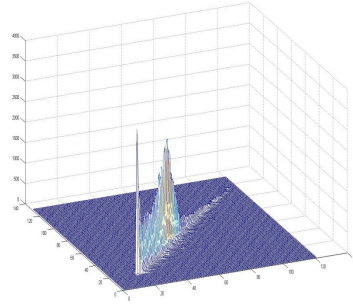
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## MT Video Coding

- Correlation modeling (I-frame residual coefficients)
  - 4x4 DCT coefficients are compressed separately
  - Collect joint statistics of each 4x4 DCT coefficients and estimated DCT coefficients from all 20 frames: 16 generic models
  - Slepian-Wolf coding of  $k$  refinement bit planes for the  $j^{\text{th}}$  position
    - Generate conditional probabilities based on the  $j^{\text{th}}$  generic model and the decoded higher bit planes
    - Low-frequency coefficients: LDPC code based Slepian-Wolf coding
    - High-frequency coefficients: entropy coding
  - Example of the generic model for the DC coefficients



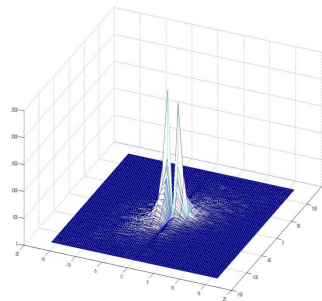
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## MT Video Coding

- Correlation modeling (P-frame residual coefficients)
  - H.264 entropy coding of residual coefficients: cbp, run, **level**, ...
    - Only quantization levels are Slepian-Wolf coded
  - Collect joint statistics of quantization levels of residual coefficients and estimated residual coefficients from all 19 P-frames: a generic model
  - Multilevel Slepian-Wolf coding of quantization levels
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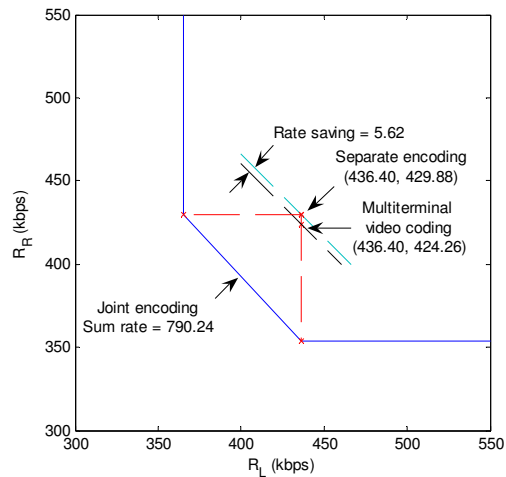
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## MT Video Coding

- Experimental results (average PSNR=31.14 dB)



Rate savings from  
Slepian-Wolf coding  
of motion vectors

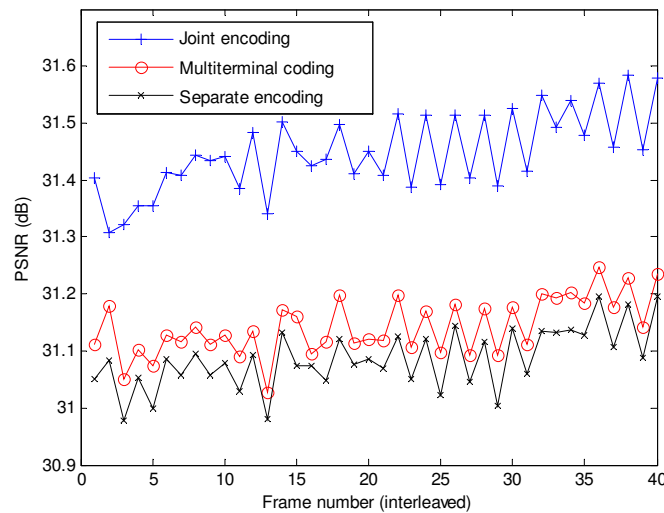
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## MT Video Coding

- Experimental results (at sum-rate of 860.6 kb/s)



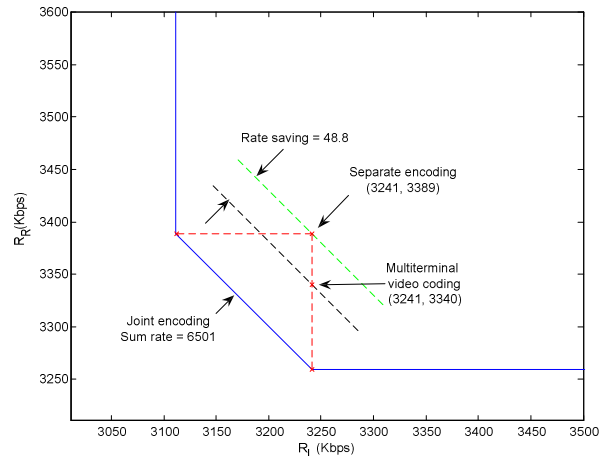
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## MT Video Coding

- Experimental results (average PSNR=40.59 dB)



Rate savings from  
successive coding  
of I-frames and  
Wyner-Ziv coding of  
MC residual frames

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## DVC Roadmap

- DVC research still in its infancy
- Lots of opportunities for **new** research directions
  - DVC for receiver cooperation is a new and exciting application area
  - Combined DVC and network coding also holds promise
- Immediate research issues
  - Correlation modeling
  - Design of **short, but high-performing** channel codes for Slepian-Wolf compression
  - Practical and high-performance DVC systems
- Bigger challenges
  - **Scalable** Slepian-Wolf coding
  - **Universal** Slepian-Wolf coding

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## DVC Roadmap

- Correlation modeling for DVC
  - Based on training sequences
    - Layered Wyner-Ziv coding (Xiong'04)
    - PRISM (Ramchandran'02)
    - Multiterminal video coding (Xiong'07)
      - Use a training set (much like with vector quantization)
  - MC at the decoder
    - PRISM (Ramchandran'02)
  - Prediction and estimation
    - Universal prediction of side information (Delp'06)
    - DISCOVER team'06
  - **Side information critical in Wyner-Ziv video coding**

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## DVC Roadmap

- Design of short (**but good**) channel codes for Slepian-Wolf compression
  - To reduce delay/latency in DVC
- Redundancy of Slepian-Wolf coding
  - $K(\epsilon)/\sqrt{n}$  with  $\epsilon$  being the error probability and  $n$  the code length
  - Very long code length for efficient Slepian-Wolf coding
  - Based on training sequences
- Recent work on good short codes
  - Quasi-cyclic LDPC codes (Fossorier'04)
  - Protograph LDPC Codes (NASA/Divsalar'06)
  - Provably good LDPC codes (Qualcomm/Richardson)

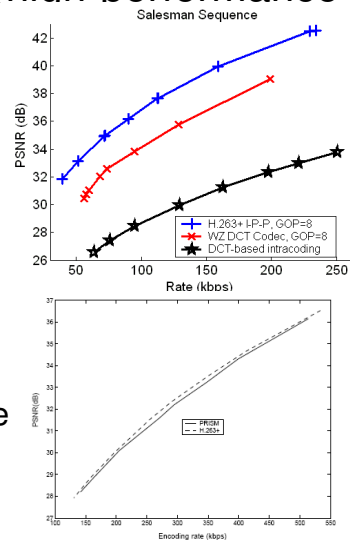
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## DVC Roadmap

- Practical low-complexity, high-performance DVC
  - DCT-domain Wyner-Ziv video coding (Girod)
    - Relatively low complexity
    - Easy to reproduce
    - Large performance gap to H.263+
  - PRISM (Ramchandran)
    - High decoding complexity
    - Relatively high performance
    - **Not** easy to reproduce



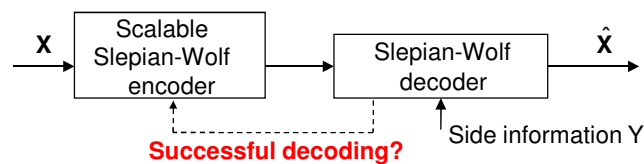
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## DVC Roadmap

- Scalable Slepian-Wolf Coding
  - When the source correlation is perfectly known, Slepian-Wolf coding is **in general** a channel coding problem
  - Bit-plane based **layered** coding
- When the source correlation is not known in DVC
  - Decoder feedback is needed



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## DVC Roadmap

- Rate-adaptive Slepian-Wolf coding
  - Serially concatenated-accumulate codes (Yedidia'04)
  - Rate-compatible LDPC codes (Fekri'05)
  - Rate-adaptive LDPC accumulate codes (Girod'05)
  - Sum LDPC accumulate codes (Girod'05)
  - Rateless Slepian-Wolf coding (Yu'05, Jiang'07)
  - Fountain codes for Slepian-Wolf coding (Shokrollahi'06)
- Raptor codes for scalable Slepian-Wolf coding
  - **All bits are created equally** in conventional Raptor codes
  - Scalable source coding leads to sequential dependency
    - First bit more important than second, etc
    - Bias towards earlier parity bits when making random connections to source symbols (similar to Raptor codes with UEP)

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## DVC Roadmap

- Universal Slepian-Wolf coding
  - The most challenging problem when **joint statistics not known a priori** in DVC
    - Csiszar's 1982 paper showed existence of universal decoder
- Recent work (Baron'05, Yang'06, Yang'07)
  - **Do not treat is as a channel coding problem**
  - Borrow ideas from **traditional** lossless compression
  - Use feedback and **threshold** decoding
    - The feedback rate goes to zero asymptotically
    - But threshold decoding is currently too difficult and complex

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