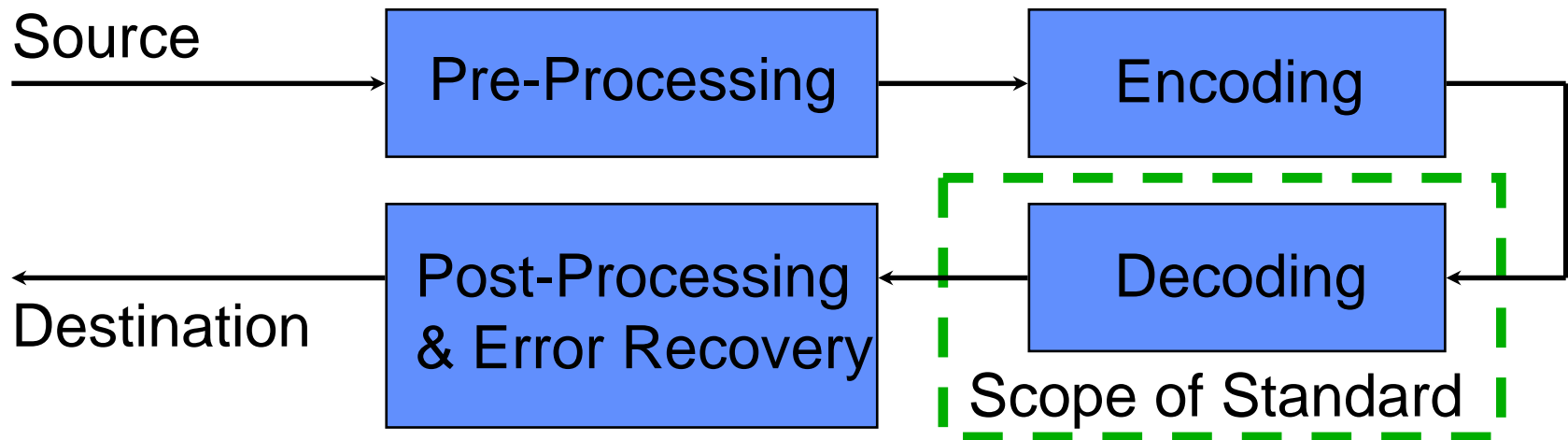

JPEG Image Coding Standard

- International Standardization of Image Coding
- JPEG

The Scope of Picture and Video Coding Standardization

- **Only Restrictions on the *Bitstream*, *Syntax*, and *Decoder* are standardized:**
 - Permits optimization beyond the obvious
 - Permits complexity reduction for implementability
 - Provides *no* guarantees of Quality



Why Do We Need Standards ?

- Image (and video) coding standards provide *interoperability* between codecs built by different manufactures
 - Basis for most products in communication technology
 - Standards based products can be build with common software and hardware tools
 - Only syntax and decoder specified
- Standards provide state-of-the-art technology that is developed by a group of experts in the field
 - Actual performance depends on implementation of standard regarding error resilience, delay, display
 - Encoder is not standardized and its optimization is left to the manufacturer

Standardization of Image Coding

- **ITU-R Radiocommunications** (www.itu.int/ITU-R)

- SG 6 - Broadcasting Service (terrestrial and satellite)**

- Standards for digital high definition television
 - Objective picture quality parameters and associated measurement and monitoring methods for television images

- **ITU-T Telecommunication Standardization** (www.itu.int/ITU-T)

- SG 9 - Integrated broadband cable networks and television and sound transmission**

- Objective and subjective methods for evaluating conversational audiovisual quality in multimedia services
 - Digital transmission of television signals for contribution

- SG 16 – Multimedia services, systems and terminals**

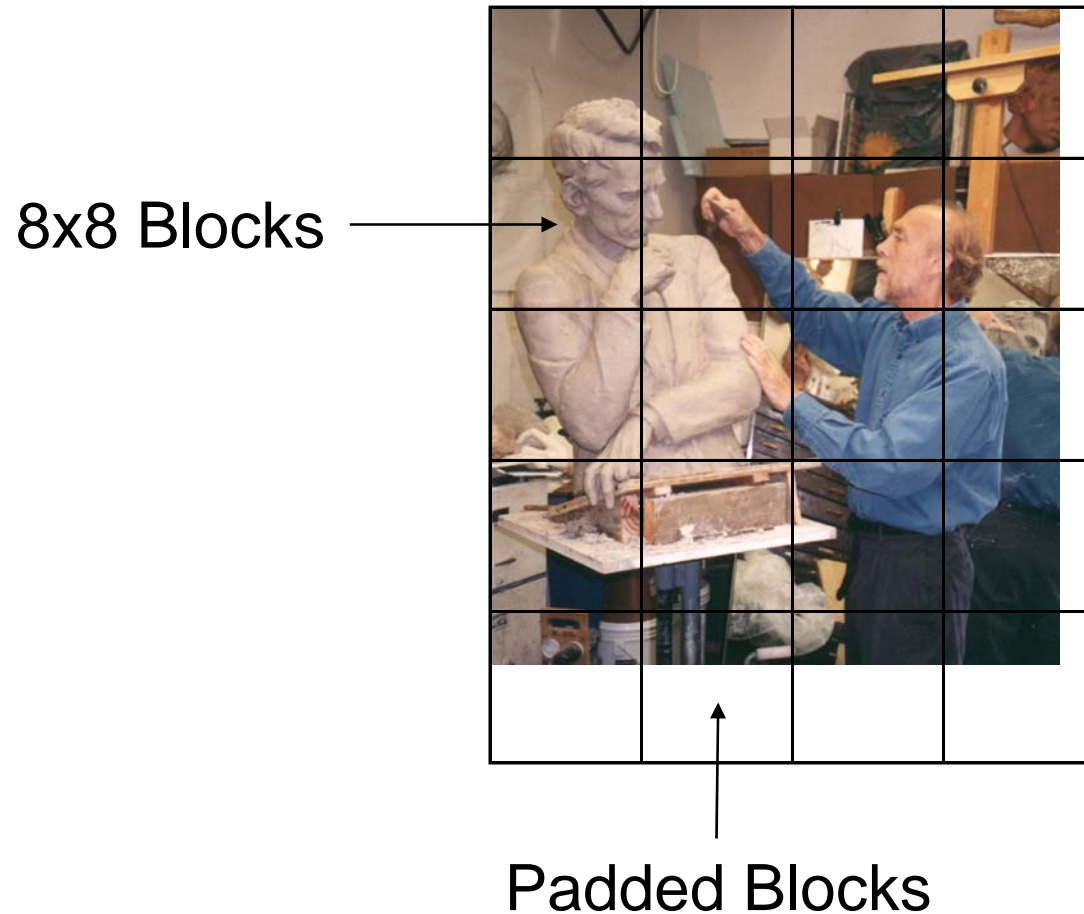
- Video and data conferencing using Internet-supported services
 - Advanced video coding

- **ISO/IEC JTC1 SC29 Coding of audio, picture, multimedia and hypermedia information** (www.iso.ch/meme/JTC1SC29.html)

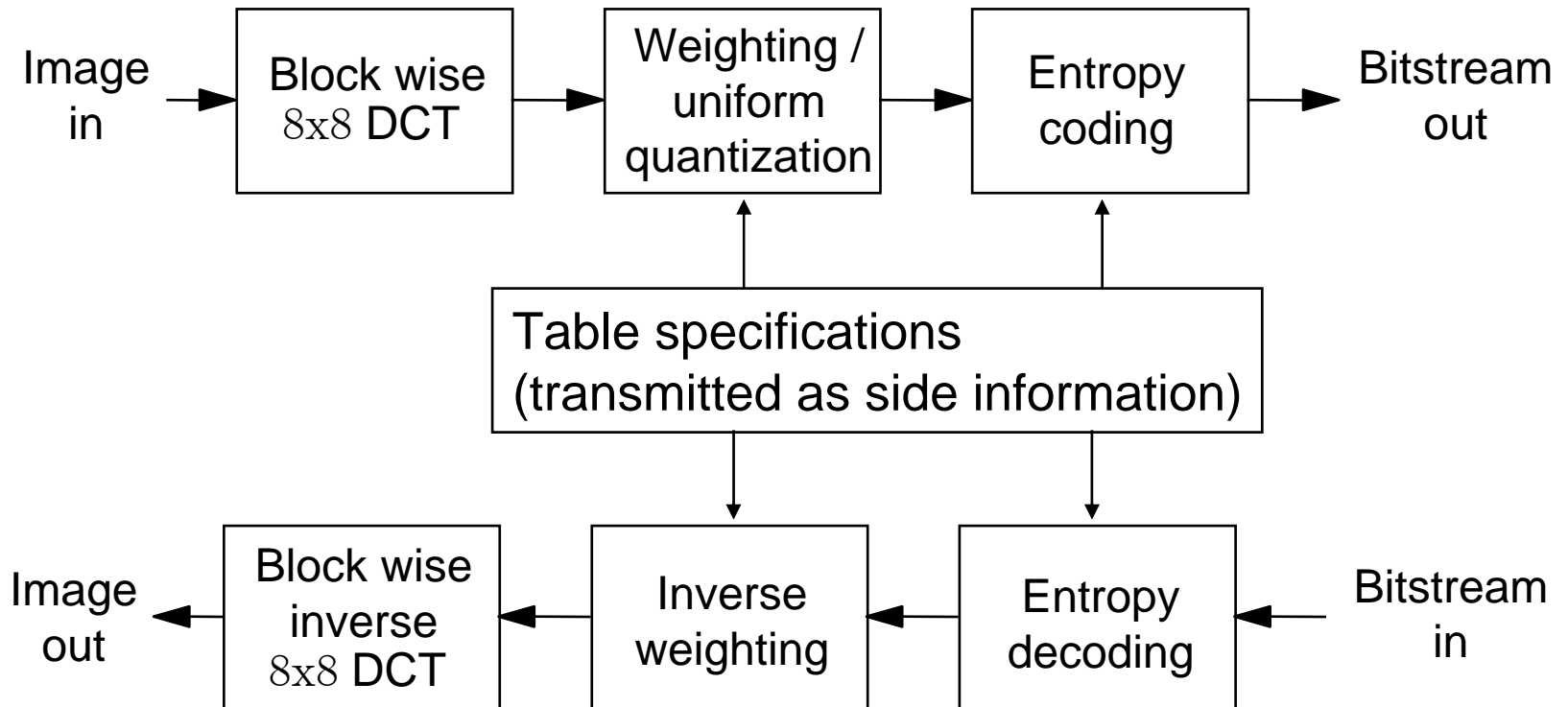
- WG 1 - Digital compression and coding of still pictures (JPEG)**

- WG 11 - Generic coding of moving pictures and associated audio information (MPEG)**

JPEG: Image Partitioning



JPEG: Baseline Algorithm



JPEG: Quantizer Step Size

- Different weighting matrices are standardized, adapted to human visual contrast sensitivity
- Example: Inverse weighting for ITU-R 601 images

Luminance

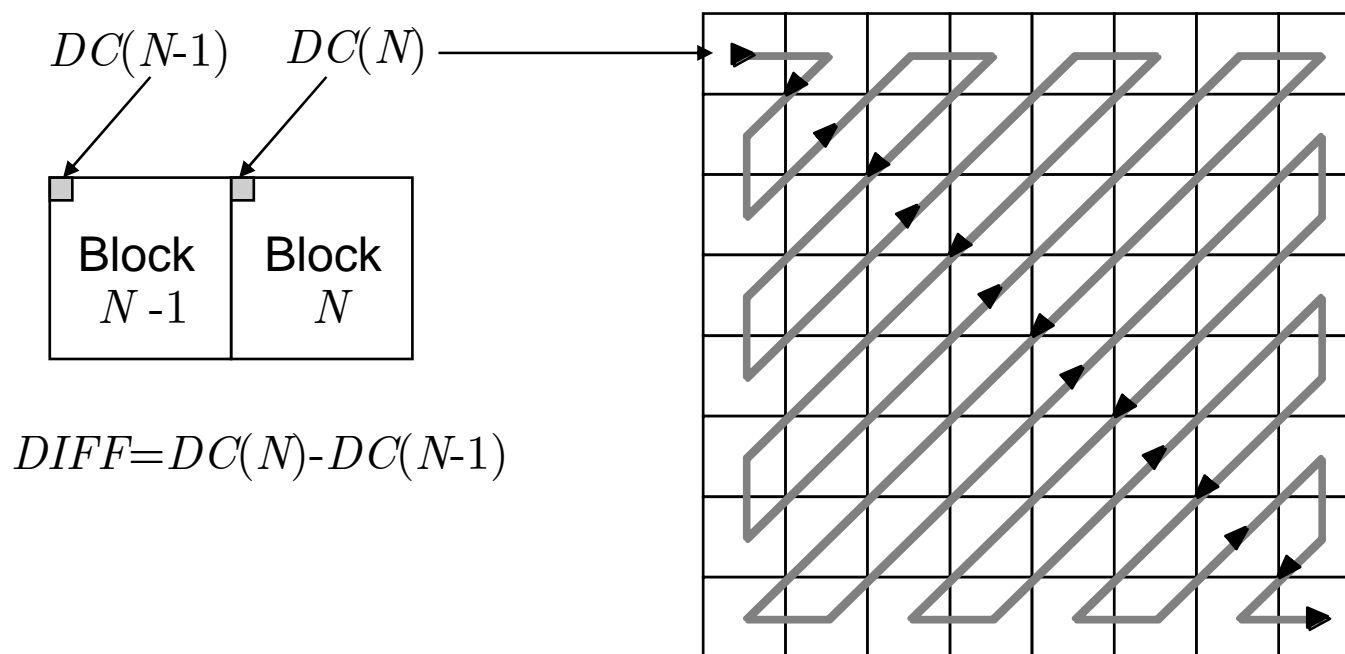
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Chrominance

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Quantization of DCT Coefficients

- Differential coding of DC coefficient: DPCM using previous quantized DC coefficient as predictor
- Zig-zag scan of AC coefficients



JPEG

- **Features of the JPEG “baseline system”**

- Represents a minimum of capabilities
- Compression of digital images with 8-bit representation
- Sequential processing of blocks, i.e. starting from upper left corner moving to right side
- Transform coding using 8x8 block DCT
- Scalar quantization of transform coefficients with weighting matrix
- Zig-zag scan and successive entropy coding with prefix-free codes

- **Extended DCT-based system**

- Digital images with 8 and 12-bit representation
- Sequential as well as progressive block handling
- Prefix-free or arithmetic codes

JPEG – Beyond Baseline

- **Lossless mode**

- DPCM-based (no DCT)
- Compression of digital images with 2 – 16 bits representation
- Sequential processing of blocks
- Prefix-free codes

- **Hierarchical mode**

- Multiple pictures encoded differentially as well as non-differentially
- Employs extended DCT-based or lossless JPEG mode

Entropy Coding

- Two methods for entropy coding defined
 - Prefix-free coding
 - Arithmetic coding

- Two options for Prefix-free coding of run-level pairs
 - Predefined code tables (one-pass system)
 - Code tables optimized for individual image (two-pass system)

- Arithmetic coding
 - Binary coder
 - Default conditioning table
 - Adaptive to actual symbol statistics

Coding Results

Original



Coded at rate 1:150



Coding Results: Detail

Original



Coded at rate 1:150



Summary

- International Standardization of Image Coding is conducted to achieve inter-operability and to provide state-of-the-art technology
- Only syntax and decoder are specified
- JPEG started in 1986 and is a well established image coding standard
- JPEG still provides competitive performance for the medium bit-rate range