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10 **UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT**  
11 **CENTRAL DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA**  
12 **SOUTHERN DIVISION**

13 Case No. **SACV11-00533 RNB**

14 AIM IP, LLC, a California  
15 limited liability company,

16 Plaintiff,

17 vs.

18 CISCO SYSTEMS, INC., a California  
corporation; HEWLETT-PACKARD  
COMPANY, a Delaware corporation;  
AVAYA INC., a Delaware  
corporation; D-LINK SYSTEMS,  
INC., a California corporation;  
SKYPE TECHNOLOGIES S.A., a  
Luxembourg corporation; SKYPE,  
INC., a California corporation;  
SONUS NETWORK, INC., a  
Delaware corporation;  
GRANDSTREAM NETWORKS,  
INC., a Delaware corporation; MITEL  
NETWORKS CORPORATION, a  
Canadian corporation; and  
HELLOSOFTE, INC, a Delaware  
corporation.

20 Defendants.  
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19 **AIM IP, LLC'S COMPLAINT FOR**  
**PATENT INFRINGEMENT**

20 **JURY TRIAL DEMANDED**

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23 CENTRAL DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA  
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1 Plaintiff AIM IP, LLC ("AIM IP") alleges as follows:

2 1. This case is an action for patent infringement under the Patent Laws  
3 of the United States, as set forth in 35 U.S.C. §§271 and 280 through 285.

4 **PARTIES**

5 2. AIM IP is a limited liability company organized under the laws of the  
6 State of California, with its principal place of business located at 26522 La  
7 Alameda Ave., Suite 360, Mission Viejo, California 92691.

8 3. On information and belief, defendant Cisco Systems, Inc. ("Cisco") is  
9 a corporation organized under the laws of the State of California, with its principal  
10 place of business located at 170 West Tasman Drive, San Jose, California 95134,  
11 and is doing business in this judicial district and elsewhere.

12 4. On information and belief, defendant Hewlett-Packard Company  
13 ("HP") is a corporation organized under the laws of the State of Delaware, with its  
14 principal place of business located at 3000 Hanover Street, Palo, Alto, CA 94303,  
15 and is doing business in this judicial district and elsewhere.

16 5. On information and belief, defendant Avaya Inc. ("Avaya") is a  
17 corporation organized under the laws of the State of Delaware, with its principal  
18 place of business located at 211 Mount Airy Road, Basking Ridge, New Jersey  
19 07920, and is doing business in this judicial district and elsewhere.

20 6. On information and belief, defendant D-Link Systems, Inc. ("D-  
21 Link") is a corporation organized under the law of the State of California, with its  
22 principal place of business located at 17595 Mt. Herrmann St., Fountain Valley,  
23 California 92708, and is doing business in this judicial district and elsewhere.

24 7. On information and belief, defendant Skype Technologies S.A.  
25 ("Skype Technologies") is a corporation organized under the laws of Luxembourg,  
26 with its principal place of business located at 23-29 Rives de Clausen, L-2165,  
27 Luxembourg, and is doing business in this judicial district and elsewhere.

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1       8. On information and belief, defendant Skype, Inc. (“Skype”) is a  
2 corporation organized under the laws of the State of California, with its principal  
3 place of business at 3210 Porter Drive, Palo Alto, California 94304, and is doing  
4 business in this judicial district and elsewhere.

5        9. On information and belief, defendant Sonus Network, Inc. (“Sonus”)  
6 is a corporation organized under the laws of the State of Delaware, with its  
7 principal place of business at 4 Technology Park Drive, Westford, MA 01886, and  
8 is doing business in this judicial district and elsewhere.

9           10. On information and belief, defendant Grandstream Networks, Inc.  
10 (“Grandstream”) is a corporation organized under the laws of the State of  
11 Delaware, with its principal place of business at 1297 Beacon Street, 2nd Floor,  
12 Brookline, Massachusetts 02446, and is doing business in this judicial district and  
13 elsewhere.

14        11. On information and belief, defendant Mitel Networks Corporation  
15 ("Mitel") is a corporation organized under organized under the laws of Canada,  
16 with its headquarters located at 350 Legget Drive, Ottawa, Ontario, Canada  
17 K2K2W7, and with its principal place of business in the United States at 7300 W.  
18 Boston, Chandler, Arizona 85226, and is doing business in this judicial district and  
19 elsewhere.

20           12. On information and belief, defendant HelloSoft, Inc. (“HelloSoft”) is  
21 a corporation organized under the laws of the State of Delaware, with its principal  
22 place of business at 640 W California Ave, Sunnyvale, CA 94086, and is doing  
23 business in this judicial district and elsewhere.

#### **JURISDICTION AND VENUE**

25           13. This Court has federal subject matter jurisdiction over this action  
26 under 28 U.S.C. §§1331, 1332(a)(1), 1332(c)(1) and 1338(a).

27           14.   Venue is proper in this Court pursuant to 28 U.S.C. §§1391(a),  
28 1391(c), and 1400(b), including without limitation because Defendants are

1 advertising, marketing, using, selling, and/or offering to sell products in this  
2 Judicial District.

3 **FIRST CAUSE OF ACTION FOR PATENT INFRINGEMENT**

4 15. AIM IP repeats and realleges the allegations contained in paragraphs 1  
5 through 14 above, inclusive, as if fully repeated and restated herein.

6 16. AIM IP is the owner by assignment of United States Patent No.  
7 5,920,853 ("the '853 Patent") entitled "Signal Compression Using Index Mapping  
8 Technique For The Sharing Of Quantization Tables." The '853 Patent issued on  
9 July 6, 1999. A true and correct copy of the '853 Patent is attached as Exhibit A.

10 17. Adil Benyassine, Huan-Yu Su, and Eyal Shlomot are listed as the  
11 inventors of the '853 Patent.

12 18. Upon information and belief, Cisco has been and now is directly,  
13 jointly and/or indirectly infringing, by way of inducing infringement and/or  
14 contributing to the infringement of the '853 Patent in the State of California, in this  
15 judicial district, and elsewhere in the United States by, among other things,  
16 advertising, marketing, using, selling, and/or offering to sell products (including,  
17 but not limited to, the Cisco Unified IP Phone 6900 Series, Cisco SPA525G2 5-  
18 Line IP Phone, Cisco SPA525G 5-Line IP Phone, Cisco SPA 301 1-Line IP Phone,  
19 Cisco SPA 303 1-Line IP Phone, Cisco Unified IP Phone 7902G, Cisco Unified IP  
20 Phone 7905G, Cisco Unified IP Phone 7906G, Cisco Unified IP Phone 7911G,  
21 Cisco Unified IP Phone 7912G, Cisco Unified IP Phone 7931G, Cisco Unified IP  
22 Phone 7942G, Cisco Unified IP Phone 7945G, Cisco Unified IP Phone 7962G,  
23 Cisco Unified IP Phone 7965G, Cisco Unified IP Phone 7975G, Cisco Unified IP  
24 Phone 7985G, Cisco Unified Wireless IP Phone 7921G, Cisco Unified Wireless IP  
25 Phone 7925G, Cisco Unified Wireless IP Phone 7925G-EX, Cisco 524G IP Phone,  
26 Cisco 521G IP Phone, Cisco VGD 1 T3 Voice Gateway, Cisco WIP310 Wireless-  
27 G IP Phone, Cisco WRP400 Wireless-G Broadband Router with 2 Phone Ports,  
28 Cisco AS5350 Universal Gateway, Cisco AS5350XM Universal Gateway, Cisco

1 AS5400 Series Universal Gateway, Cisco AS5400XM Universal Gateway, Cisco  
2 AS5850 Universal Gateway), which support or utilize one or more of the encoder  
3 and/or decoder systems claimed in the '853 Patent.

4 19. Cisco received notice of the '853 Patent and a number of products that  
5 are accused of infringing the '853 Patent by letter dated December 20, 2010.

6 20. Cisco's continuing use of the claimed invention shows an intent to  
7 infringe or cause others to infringe the '853 Patent. In addition, Cisco is willfully  
8 infringing the '853 Patent.

9 21. Upon information and belief, HP has been and now is directly, jointly  
10 and/or indirectly infringing, by way of inducing infringement and/or contributing  
11 to the infringement of the '853 Patent in the State of California, in this judicial  
12 district, and elsewhere in the United States by, among other things, advertising,  
13 marketing, using, selling, and/or offering to sell products (including, but not  
14 limited to, the HP/3COM 310x IP Phone Series, HP/3COM 350x IP Phone Series,  
15 HP/3COM 3100 Entry Phone, HP/3COM 3101 Basic Phone, HP/3COM 3102  
16 Business Phone, HP/3COM 3103 Manager Phone, HP/3COM 3106 Cordless  
17 Phone, HP/3COM 3107 Cordless Phone, HP/3COM 3108 Wireless Phone,  
18 HP/3COM VCX Connect MIM IP Communications Series, HP/3COM VCX  
19 V7111 VoIP SIP, HP/3COM VCX V7122 VoIP SIP, HP/3COM VCX V7000 IP  
20 Communications Platforms, HP/3COM VCX Connect IP Communications  
21 Platforms, HP/3COM V6100 Digital Gateway, HP/3COM V7122 Digital Gateway,  
22 HP/3COM 310x IP Phone Series, HP/3COM 350x IP Phone Series, HP/3COM  
23 NBX V3001, HP VCX Connect 200 Unified Communications Series), which  
24 support or utilize one or more of the encoder and/or decoder systems claimed in  
25 the '853 Patent.

26 22. HP received notice of the '853 Patent and a number of products that  
27 are accused of infringing the '853 Patent by letter dated December 20, 2010.

1           23. HP's continuing use of the claimed invention shows an intent to  
2 infringe or cause others to infringe the '853 Patent. In addition, HP is willfully  
3 infringing the '853 Patent.

4           24. Upon information and belief, Avaya has been and now is directly,  
5 jointly and/or indirectly infringing, by way of inducing infringement and/or  
6 contributing to the infringement of the '853 Patent in the State of California, in this  
7 judicial district, and elsewhere in the United States by, among other things,  
8 advertising, marketing, using, selling, and/or offering to sell products (including,  
9 but not limited to, the Avaya 1150E IP Deskphone, Avaya 1140E IP Deskphone,  
10 Avaya 1120E IP Deskphone, Avaya 1220 IP Deskphone, Avaya 1210 IP  
11 Deskphone, Avaya 5602 IP Deskphone, Avaya 9650 IP Deskphone, Avaya 4600  
12 Series IP Deskphone, Avaya One-X Communicator), which support or utilize one  
13 or more of the encoder and/or decoder systems claimed in the '853 Patent.

14           25. Avaya received notice of the '853 Patent and a number of products  
15 that are accused of infringing the '853 Patent by letter dated December 20, 2010.

16           26. Avaya's continuing use of the claimed invention shows an intent to  
17 infringe or cause others to infringe the '853 Patent. In addition, Avaya is willfully  
18 infringing the '853 Patent.

19           27. Upon information and belief, D-Link has been and now is directly,  
20 jointly and/or indirectly infringing, by way of inducing infringement and/or  
21 contributing to the infringement of the '853 Patent in the State of California, in this  
22 judicial district, and elsewhere in the United States by, among other things,  
23 advertising, marketing, using, selling, and/or offering to sell products (including,  
24 but not limited to, the DPH-140S Business IP Phone, DPH-540, DPH-541 Wi-Fi®  
25 Phone, DVX-2000MS-5P VoiceCenter™ Multiline IP Phone System, 5-Phone Kit  
26 for Microsoft® Response Point™, DVX-2000MS-10P VoiceCenter™ Multiline IP  
27 Phone System, 10-Phone Kit for Microsoft® Response Point™, DPH-128MS  
28 VoiceCenter™ Multiline IP Phone for Microsoft® Response Point™, DPH-

1       125MS VoiceCenter™ IP Phone for Microsoft® Response Point™, DVX-  
2       2000MS-5 VoiceCenter™ IP Phone System, 5-Phone Kit for Microsoft®  
3       Response Point™, DVX-2000MS-10 VoiceCenter™ IP Phone System, 10-Phone  
4       Kit for Microsoft® Response Point™, DPH-140S-PD IP Phone for Worksmart™  
5       Services), which support or utilize one or more of the encoder and/or decoder  
6       systems claimed in the '853 Patent.

7           28. D-Link received notice of the '853 Patent and a number of products  
8       that are accused of infringing the '853 Patent by letter dated December 20, 2010.

9           29. D-Link's continuing use of the claimed invention shows an intent to  
10      infringe or cause others to infringe the '853 Patent. In addition, D-Link is willfully  
11      infringing the '853 Patent.

12           30. Upon information and belief, Skype Technologies and Skype have  
13      been and now are directly, jointly and/or indirectly infringing, by way of inducing  
14      infringement and/or contributing to the infringement of the '853 Patent in the State  
15      of California, in this judicial district, and elsewhere in the United States by, among  
16      other things, advertising, marketing, using, selling, and/or offering to sell products  
17      (including, but not limited to, Skype Connect, Grandstream GXV34140 IP  
18      Multimedia Phone, Grandstream GXW4004 FXS Analog Gateway, Grandstream  
19      GXW4008 FXS Analog Gateway, Grandstream GXE5024 IP PBX, Grandstream  
20      GXE5028 IP PBX, Grandstream GXV3140 Dual Stack Skype & SIP Phone),  
21      which support or utilize one or more of the encoder and/or decoder systems  
22      claimed in the '853 Patent.

23           31. Skype received notice of the '853 Patent and a number of products  
24       that are accused of infringing the '853 Patent by letter dated December 20, 2010.

25           32. Skype's continuing use of the claimed invention shows an intent to  
26      infringe or cause others to infringe the '853 Patent. In addition, Skype is willfully  
27      infringing the '853 Patent.

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1           33. Upon information and belief, Sonus has been and now is directly,  
2 jointly and/or indirectly infringing, by way of inducing infringement and/or  
3 contributing to the infringement of the '853 Patent in the State of California, in this  
4 judicial district, and elsewhere in the United States by, among other things,  
5 advertising, marketing, using, selling, and/or offering to sell products (including,  
6 but not limited to, the SGX4000 Universal Signaling Gateway, Sonus GSX4000,  
7 and Sonus GSX9000), which support or utilize one or more of the encoder and/or  
8 decoder systems claimed in the '853 Patent.

9           34. Sonus received notice of the '853 Patent and a number of products  
10 that are accused of infringing the '853 Patent by letter dated January 10, 2011.

11           35. Sonus's continuing use of the claimed invention shows an intent to  
12 infringe or cause others to infringe the '853 Patent. In addition, Sonus is willfully  
13 infringing the '853 Patent.

14           36. Upon information and belief, Grandstream has been and now is  
15 directly, jointly and/or indirectly infringing, by way of inducing infringement  
16 and/or contributing to the infringement of the '853 Patent in the State of California,  
17 in this judicial district, and elsewhere in the United States by, among other things,  
18 advertising, marketing, using, selling, and/or offering to sell products (including,  
19 but not limited to, the GXP280 Small Business 1-line IP Phone, GXP285 Small  
20 Business 1-line PoE IP Phone, GXP1200 Entry Level 2-line IP Phone, GXP1450  
21 Enterprise HD IP Telephone, GXP2100 4-line Desktop HD Telephone, GXP2010  
22 4-line Key System IP Phone, GXW400x IP Analog Gateway Series, GXW4024 IP  
23 Analog Gateway, GXW410x FXO Analog Gateway, HandyTone 286 (HT286)  
24 Analog Telephone Adaptor, HandyTone 502 (HT502) Analog Telephone Adaptor ,  
25 HandyTone HT503 ATA/IAD , GXV3175 IP Multimedia Phone, GXP2020 6-line  
26 Enterprise IP Phone, GXP2110 4-line Key System IP Phone, GXP2120 6-line  
27 Executive HD Telephone, GVX-300x Telephones, GXV3140 IP Multimedia  
28 Phone, BudgeTone-200/201 SIP Phone, GXE502x IPPBX), which support or

1 utilize one or more of the encoder and/or decoder systems claimed in the '853  
2 Patent.

3       37. Grandstream received notice of the '853 Patent and a number of  
4 products that are accused of infringing the '853 Patent by letter dated January 26,  
5 2011.

38. Grandstream's continuing use of the claimed invention shows an intent to infringe or cause others to infringe the '853 Patent. In addition, Grandstream is willfully infringing the '853 Patent.

9       39. Upon information and belief, Mitel has been and now is directly,  
10      jointly and/or indirectly infringing, by way of inducing infringement and/or  
11      contributing to the infringement of the '853 Patent in the State of California, in this  
12      judicial district, and elsewhere in the United States by, among other things,  
13      advertising, marketing, using, selling, and/or offering to sell products (including,  
14      but not limited to, the Mitel 5304, 5312, 5324, 5330, 5340 and Navigator IP  
15      Phones, and Mitel IP-DECT Solution), which support or utilize one or more of the  
16      encoder and/or decoder systems claimed in the '853 Patent.

17        40. Mitel received notice of the '853 Patent and a number of products that  
18 are accused of infringing the '853 Patent by letter dated December 20, 2010.

19        41. Mitel's continuing use of the claimed invention shows an intent to  
20 infringe or cause others to infringe the '853 Patent. In addition, Mitel is willfully  
21 infringing the '853 Patent.

1 HelloCommunicator PC), which support or utilize one or more of the encoder  
2 and/or decoder systems claimed in the '853 Patent.

3       43. HelloSoft received notice of the '853 Patent and a number of products  
4       that are accused of infringing the '853 Patent by letter dated January 12, 2011.

5       44. HelloSoft's continuing use of the claimed invention shows an intent to  
6 infringe or cause others to infringe the '853 Patent. In addition, HelloSoft is  
7 willfully infringing the '853 Patent.

8       45. As a result of Defendants' infringement of the '853 Patent, AIM IP  
9 has suffered monetary damages in an amount not yet determined, and will continue  
10 to suffer damages in the future unless Defendants' infringing activities are enjoined  
11 by this Court.

12        46. Defendants' wrongful acts have damaged and will continue to damage  
13 AIM IP irreparably, and AIM IP has no adequate remedy at law for those wrongs  
14 and injuries. In addition to their actual damages, AIM IP is entitled to an  
15 injunction restraining and enjoining Defendants and their agents, servants and  
16 employees, and all persons acting thereunder, in concert with, or on their behalf,  
17 from infringing the '853 Patent.

## **PRAYER FOR RELIEF**

WHEREFORE, AIM IP respectfully requests that this Court enter:

20        1. A judgment in favor of AIM IP that each of the Defendants has  
21 infringed, directly and/or indirectly, by way of inducing and/or contributing to the  
22 infringement of the '853 Patent;

23        2. An injunction enjoining Defendants and their officers, directors,  
24 agents, servants, affiliates, employees, divisions, branches, subsidiaries, parents,  
25 and all others acting in concert or privity with any of them from infringing,  
26 inducing the infringement of, or contributing to the infringement of the '853  
27 Patent;

3. A judgment and order requiring an accounting and Defendants to pay AIM IP its damages, costs, expenses, and prejudgment and post-judgment interest for Defendants' infringement of the '853 Patent as provided under 35 U.S.C. § 284;

4. An award to AIM IP for enhanced damages, as provided under 35 U.S.C. § 284, resulting from the knowing, deliberate, and willful nature of Defendants' prohibited conduct;

5. A judgment and order finding that this is an exceptional case within the meaning of 35 U.S.C. § 285 and awarding to AIM IP its reasonable attorneys' fees; and

6. Any and all other relief to which AIM IP may show itself to be entitled.

## JURY TRIAL DEMANDED

AIM IP hereby demands a trial by jury of all issues so triable.

Respectfully submitted,

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## **EXHIBIT A**



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**United States Patent [19]**  
**Benyassine et al.**

[11] Patent Number: **5,920,853**  
[45] Date of Patent: **Jul. 6, 1999**

[54] SIGNAL COMPRESSION USING INDEX MAPPING TECHNIQUE FOR THE SHARING OF QUANTIZATION TABLES

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[75] Inventors: Adil Benyassine, Costa Mesa; Huan-Yu Su, San Clemente; Eyal Shlomot, Irvine, all of Calif.

Primary Examiner—Maria N. Von Buhr  
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[73] Assignee: Rockwell International Corporation, Newport Beach, Calif.

[21] Appl. No.: 08/702,780

[22] Filed: Aug. 23, 1996

[51] Int. Cl.<sup>6</sup> ..... G06F 17/30; G06F 5/00  
[52] U.S. Cl. ..... 707/1; 382/232; 382/253;  
704/222; 395/200.77

[58] Field of Search ..... 395/2.09, 200.77;  
704/500, 222, 230; 707/1, 3; 348/384, 405,  
414, 417, 418, 422; 382/232, 253, 305

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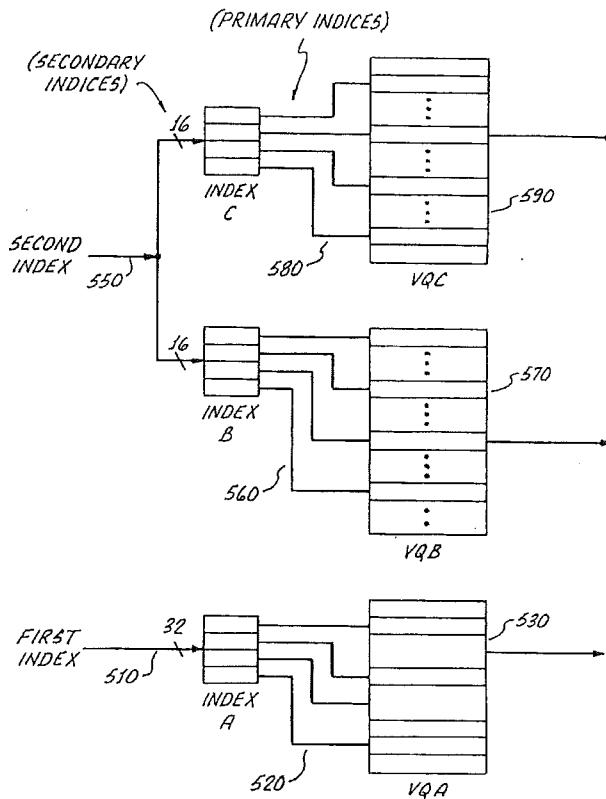
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[57] ABSTRACT

A signal compression system includes a coder and a decoder. The coder includes an extract unit for extracting an input feature vector from an input signal, a coder memory unit for storing a predesigned vector quantization (VQ) table for the coder such that the coder memory unit uses a set of primary indices to address entries within the pre-designed VQ table, a coder mapping unit for mapping indices from a set of secondary indices to the first set of indices, and a search unit for searching for one index out of the set of secondary indices, wherein the index from the set of secondary indices corresponds to an entry in the coder memory unit, and the entry best represents the input feature vector according to some predetermined criteria. On the decoder side, the decoder includes a decoder memory unit for storing the same pre-designed VQ table and set of primary indices as the coder memory unit, a decoder mapping unit, and a retrieval unit, wherein the entry indicated by the index best represents the input feature vector.

15 Claims, 13 Drawing Sheets

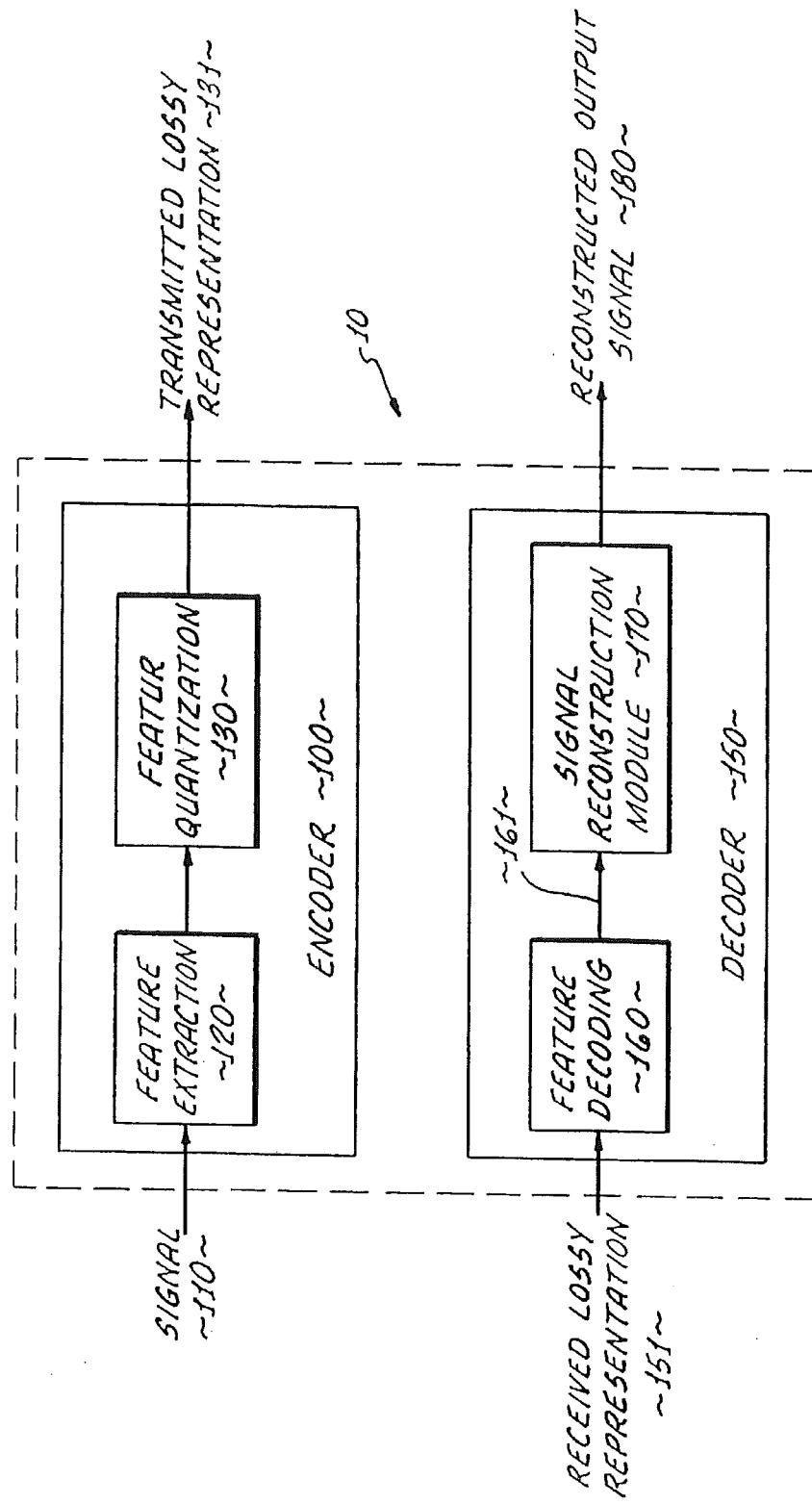


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**Figure 1** *(Prior Art)*

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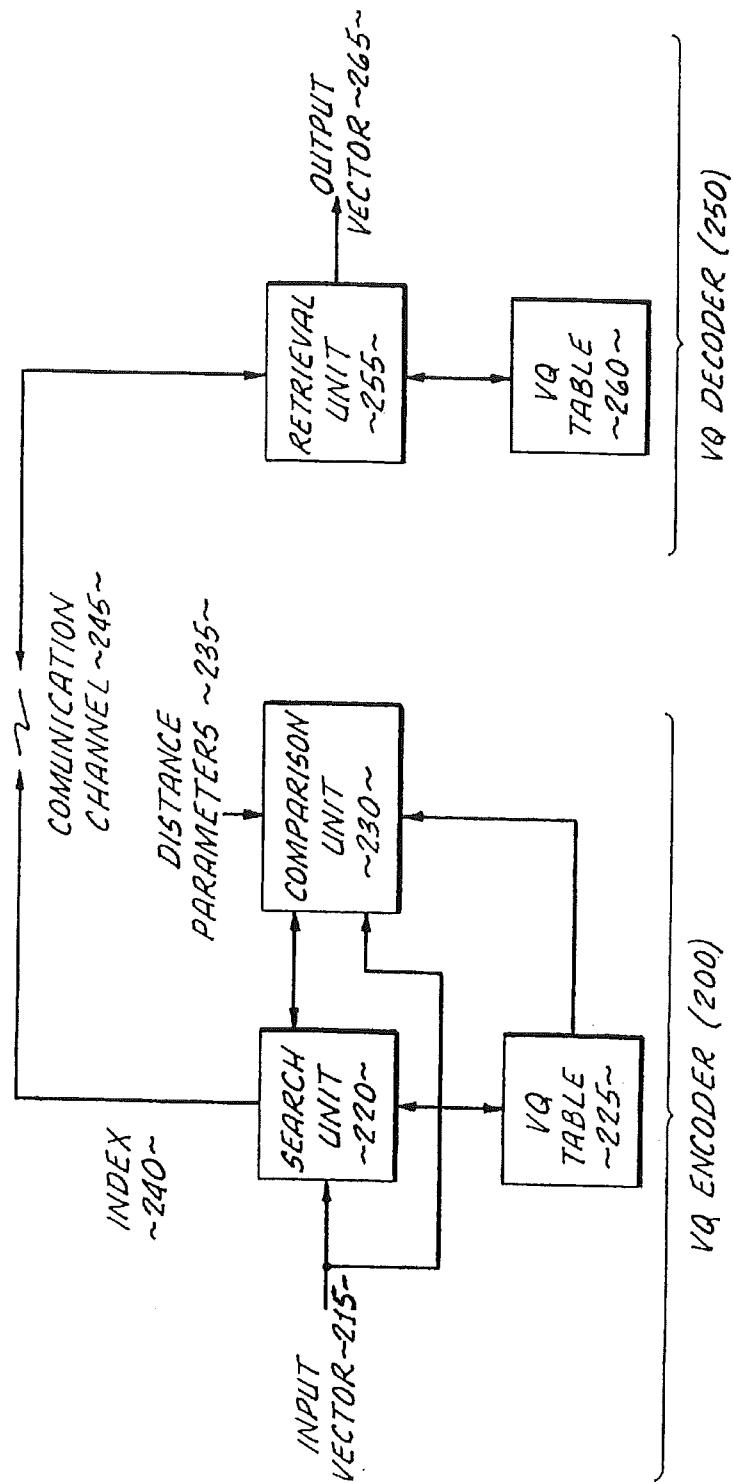


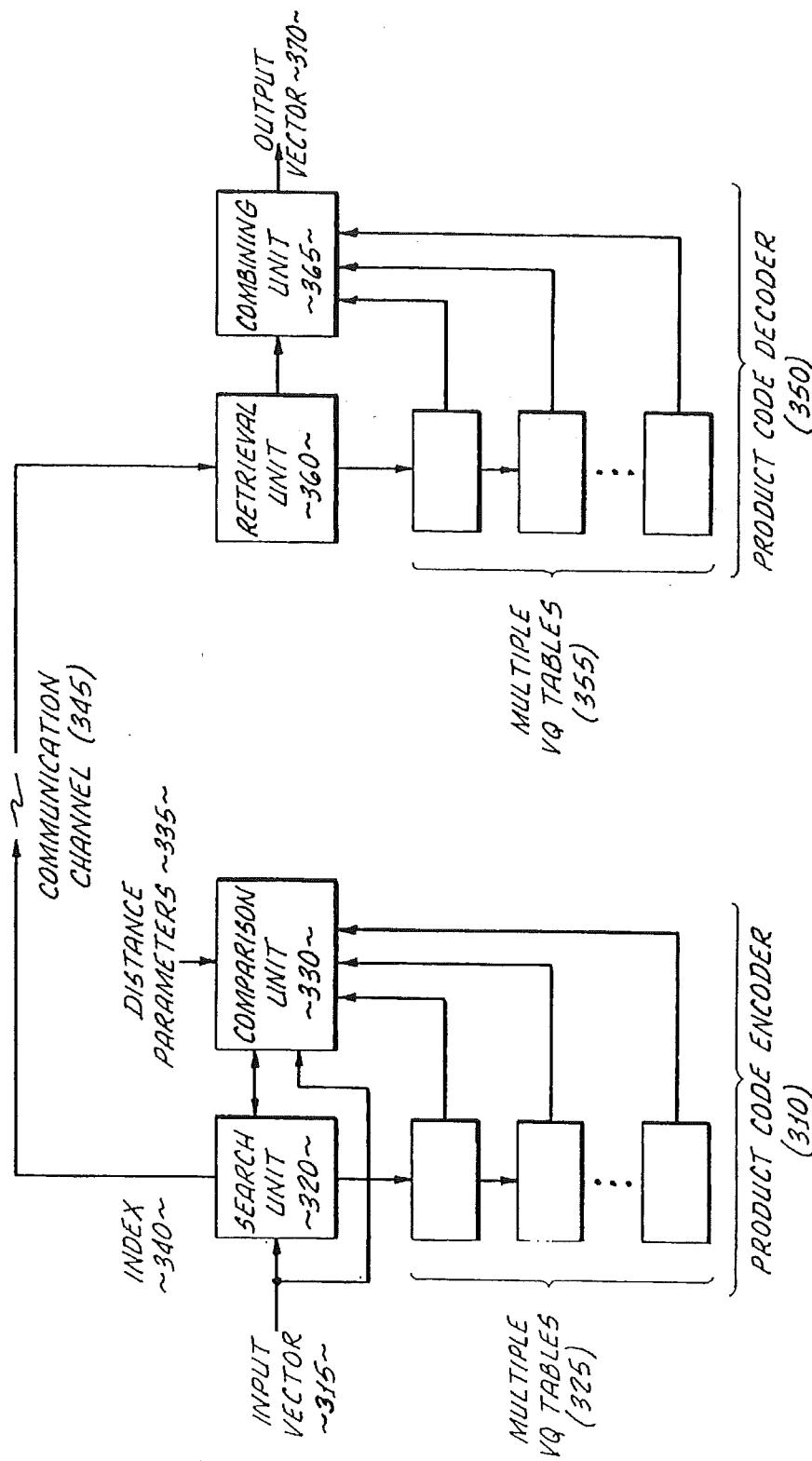
Figure 2 (Prior Art)

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*Figure 3 (Prior Art)*

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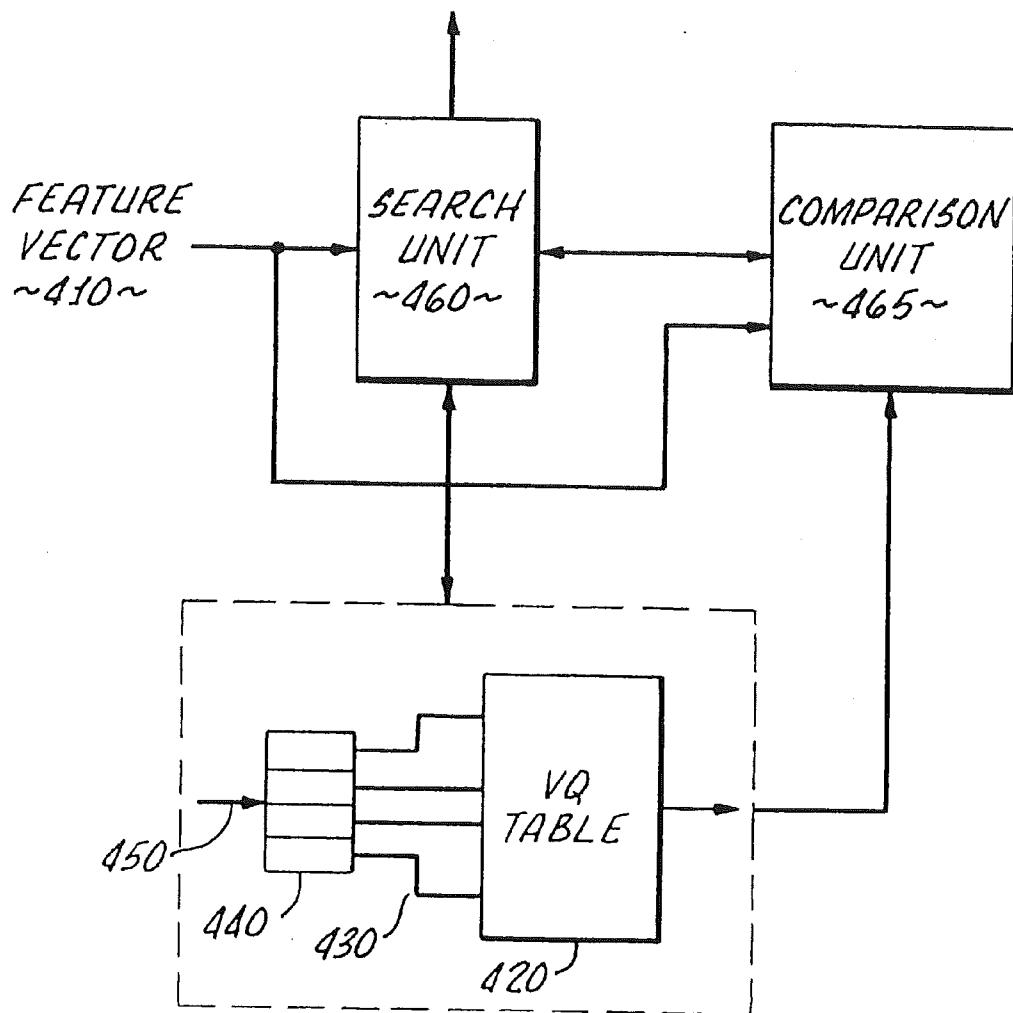


FIG. 4.

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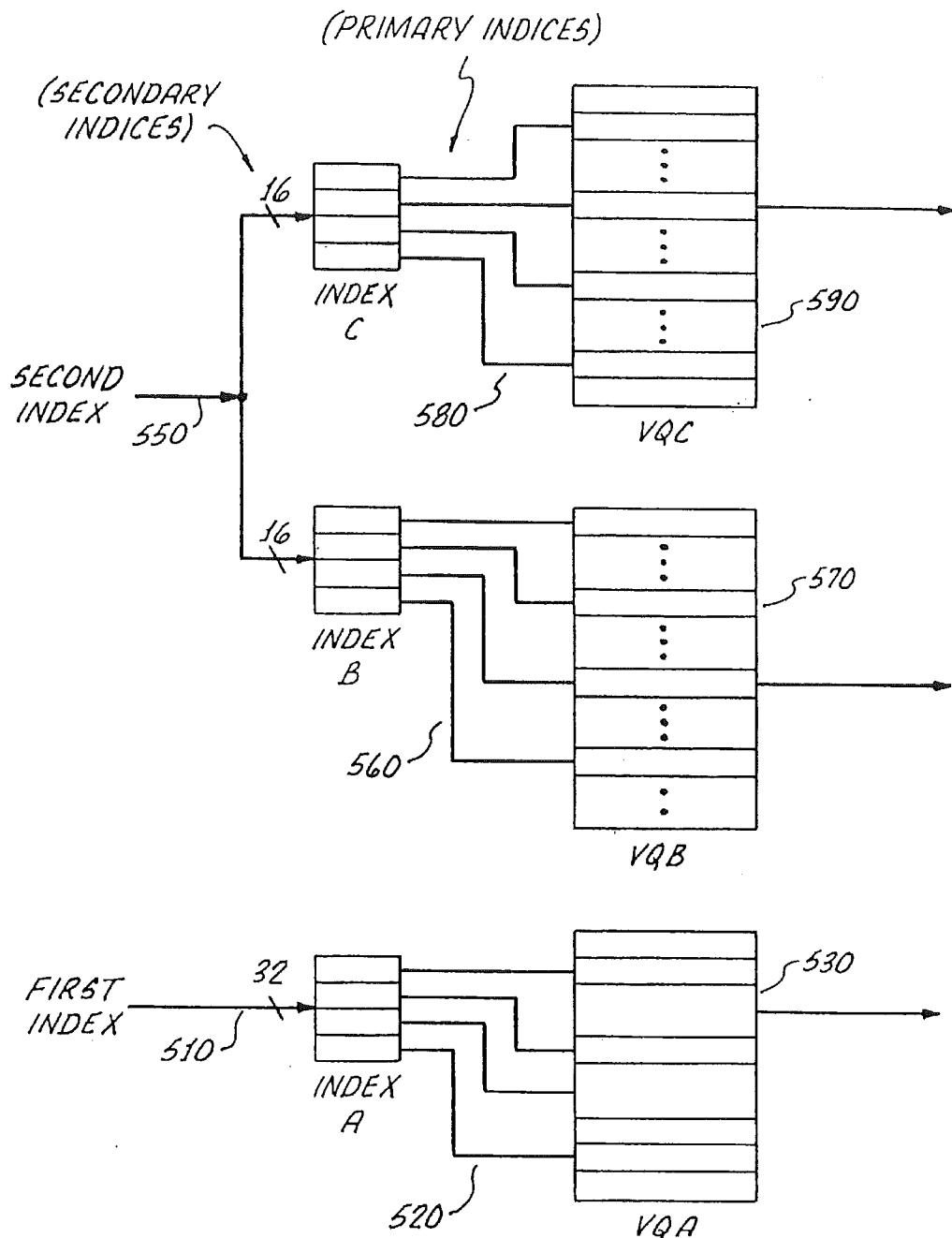


FIG. 5.

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## VQ Table 1:

|      |      |      |       |       |       |       |       |       |       |
|------|------|------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|
| 1486 | 2168 | 3751 | 9074  | 12134 | 13944 | 17983 | 19173 | 21190 | 21820 |
| 1730 | 2640 | 3450 | 4870  | 6126  | 7876  | 15644 | 17817 | 20294 | 21902 |
| 1568 | 2256 | 3088 | 4874  | 11063 | 13393 | 18307 | 19293 | 21109 | 21741 |
| 1733 | 2512 | 3357 | 4708  | 6977  | 10296 | 17024 | 17956 | 19145 | 20350 |
| 1744 | 2436 | 3308 | 8731  | 10432 | 12007 | 15614 | 16639 | 21359 | 21913 |
| 1786 | 2369 | 3372 | 4521  | 6795  | 12963 | 17674 | 18988 | 20855 | 21640 |
| 1631 | 2433 | 3361 | 6328  | 10709 | 12013 | 13277 | 13904 | 19441 | 21088 |
| 1489 | 2364 | 3291 | 6250  | 9227  | 10403 | 13843 | 15278 | 17721 | 21451 |
| 1869 | 2533 | 3475 | 4365  | 9152  | 14513 | 15908 | 17022 | 20611 | 21411 |
| 2070 | 3025 | 4333 | 5854  | 7805  | 9231  | 10597 | 16047 | 20109 | 21834 |
| 1910 | 2673 | 3419 | 4261  | 11168 | 15111 | 16577 | 17591 | 19310 | 20265 |
| 1141 | 1815 | 2624 | 4623  | 6495  | 9588  | 13968 | 16428 | 19351 | 21286 |
| 2192 | 3171 | 4707 | 5808  | 10904 | 12500 | 14162 | 15664 | 21124 | 21789 |
| 1286 | 1907 | 2548 | 3453  | 9574  | 11964 | 15978 | 17344 | 19691 | 22495 |
| 1921 | 2720 | 4604 | 6684  | 11503 | 12992 | 14350 | 15262 | 16997 | 20791 |
| 2052 | 2759 | 3897 | 5246  | 6638  | 10267 | 15834 | 16814 | 18149 | 21675 |
| 1798 | 2497 | 5617 | 11449 | 13189 | 14711 | 17050 | 18195 | 20307 | 21182 |
| 1009 | 1647 | 2889 | 5709  | 9541  | 12354 | 15231 | 18494 | 20966 | 22033 |
| 3016 | 3794 | 5406 | 7469  | 12488 | 13984 | 15328 | 16334 | 19952 | 20791 |
| 2203 | 3040 | 3796 | 5442  | 11987 | 13512 | 14931 | 16370 | 17856 | 18803 |
| 2912 | 4292 | 7988 | 9572  | 11562 | 13244 | 14556 | 16529 | 20004 | 21073 |
| 2861 | 3607 | 5923 | 7034  | 9234  | 12054 | 13729 | 18056 | 20262 | 20974 |
| 3069 | 4311 | 5967 | 7367  | 11482 | 12699 | 14309 | 16233 | 18333 | 19172 |
| 2434 | 3661 | 4866 | 5798  | 10383 | 11722 | 13049 | 15668 | 18862 | 19831 |
| 2020 | 2605 | 3860 | 9241  | 13275 | 14644 | 16010 | 17099 | 19268 | 20251 |
| 1877 | 2809 | 3590 | 4707  | 11056 | 12441 | 15622 | 17168 | 18761 | 19907 |
| 2107 | 2873 | 3673 | 5799  | 13579 | 14687 | 15938 | 17077 | 18890 | 19831 |
| 1612 | 2284 | 2944 | 3572  | 8219  | 13959 | 15924 | 17239 | 18592 | 20117 |
| 2420 | 3156 | 6542 | 10215 | 12061 | 13534 | 15305 | 16452 | 18717 | 19880 |
| 1667 | 2612 | 3534 | 5237  | 10513 | 11696 | 12940 | 16798 | 18058 | 19378 |
| 2388 | 3017 | 4839 | 9333  | 11413 | 12730 | 15024 | 16248 | 17449 | 18677 |
| 1875 | 2786 | 4231 | 6320  | 8694  | 10149 | 11785 | 17013 | 18608 | 19960 |
| 679  | 1411 | 4654 | 8006  | 11446 | 13249 | 15763 | 18127 | 20361 | 21567 |
| 1838 | 2596 | 3578 | 4608  | 5650  | 11274 | 14355 | 15886 | 20579 | 21754 |
| 1303 | 1955 | 2395 | 3322  | 12023 | 13764 | 15883 | 18077 | 20180 | 21232 |
| 1438 | 2102 | 2663 | 3462  | 8328  | 10362 | 13763 | 17248 | 19732 | 22344 |
| 860  | 1904 | 6098 | 7775  | 9815  | 12007 | 14821 | 16709 | 19787 | 21132 |
| 1673 | 2723 | 3704 | 6125  | 7668  | 9447  | 13683 | 14443 | 20538 | 21731 |
| 1246 | 1849 | 2902 | 4508  | 7221  | 12710 | 14835 | 16314 | 19335 | 22720 |
| 1525 | 2260 | 3862 | 5659  | 7342  | 11748 | 13370 | 14442 | 18044 | 21334 |
| 1196 | 1846 | 3104 | 7063  | 10972 | 12905 | 14814 | 17037 | 19922 | 22636 |
| 2147 | 3106 | 4475 | 6511  | 8227  | 9765  | 10984 | 12161 | 18971 | 21300 |
| 1585 | 2405 | 2994 | 4036  | 11481 | 13177 | 14519 | 15431 | 19967 | 21275 |
| 1778 | 2688 | 3614 | 4680  | 9465  | 11064 | 12473 | 16320 | 19742 | 20800 |
| 1862 | 2586 | 3492 | 6719  | 11708 | 13012 | 14364 | 16128 | 19610 | 20425 |
| 1395 | 2156 | 2669 | 3386  | 10607 | 12125 | 13614 | 16705 | 18976 | 21367 |
| 1444 | 2117 | 3286 | 6233  | 9423  | 12981 | 14998 | 15853 | 17188 | 21857 |
| 2004 | 2895 | 3783 | 4897  | 6168  | 7297  | 12609 | 16445 | 19297 | 21465 |
| 1495 | 2863 | 6360 | 8100  | 11399 | 14271 | 15902 | 17711 | 20479 | 22061 |
| 2484 | 3114 | 5718 | 7097  | 8400  | 12616 | 14073 | 14847 | 20535 | 21396 |
| 2424 | 3277 | 5296 | 6284  | 11290 | 12903 | 16022 | 17508 | 19333 | 20283 |
| 2565 | 3778 | 5360 | 6989  | 8782  | 10428 | 14390 | 15742 | 17770 | 21734 |
| 2727 | 3384 | 6613 | 9254  | 10542 | 12236 | 14651 | 15687 | 20074 | 21102 |

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|      |      |      |       |       |       |       |       |       |       |
|------|------|------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|
| 1916 | 2953 | 6274 | 8088  | 9710  | 10925 | 12392 | 16434 | 20010 | 21183 |
| 3384 | 4366 | 5349 | 7667  | 11180 | 12605 | 13921 | 15324 | 19901 | 20754 |
| 3075 | 4283 | 5951 | 7619  | 9604  | 11010 | 12384 | 14006 | 20658 | 21497 |
| 1751 | 2455 | 5147 | 9966  | 11621 | 13176 | 14739 | 16470 | 20788 | 21756 |
| 1442 | 2188 | 3330 | 6813  | 8929  | 12135 | 14476 | 15306 | 19635 | 20544 |
| 2294 | 2895 | 4070 | 8035  | 12233 | 13416 | 14762 | 17367 | 18952 | 19688 |
| 1937 | 2659 | 4602 | 6697  | 9071  | 12863 | 14197 | 15230 | 16047 | 18877 |
| 2071 | 2663 | 4216 | 9445  | 10887 | 12292 | 13949 | 14909 | 19236 | 20341 |
| 1740 | 2491 | 3488 | 8138  | 9656  | 11153 | 13206 | 14688 | 20896 | 21907 |
| 2199 | 2881 | 4675 | 8527  | 10051 | 11408 | 14435 | 15463 | 17190 | 20597 |
| 1943 | 2988 | 4177 | 6039  | 7478  | 8536  | 14181 | 15551 | 17622 | 21579 |
| 1825 | 3175 | 7062 | 9818  | 12824 | 15450 | 18330 | 19856 | 21830 | 22412 |
| 2464 | 3046 | 4822 | 5977  | 7696  | 15398 | 16730 | 17646 | 20588 | 21320 |
| 2550 | 3393 | 5305 | 6920  | 10235 | 14083 | 18143 | 19195 | 20681 | 21336 |
| 3003 | 3799 | 5321 | 6437  | 7919  | 11643 | 15810 | 16846 | 18119 | 18980 |
| 3455 | 4157 | 6838 | 8199  | 9877  | 12314 | 15905 | 16826 | 19949 | 20892 |
| 3052 | 3769 | 4891 | 5810  | 6977  | 10126 | 14788 | 15990 | 19773 | 20904 |
| 3671 | 4356 | 5827 | 6997  | 8460  | 12084 | 14154 | 14939 | 19247 | 20423 |
| 2716 | 3684 | 5246 | 6686  | 8463  | 10001 | 12394 | 14131 | 16150 | 19776 |
| 1945 | 2638 | 4130 | 7995  | 14338 | 15576 | 17057 | 18206 | 20225 | 20997 |
| 2304 | 2928 | 4122 | 4824  | 5640  | 13139 | 15825 | 16938 | 20108 | 21054 |
| 1800 | 2516 | 3350 | 5219  | 13406 | 15948 | 17618 | 18540 | 20531 | 21252 |
| 1436 | 2224 | 2753 | 4546  | 9657  | 11245 | 15177 | 16317 | 17489 | 19135 |
| 2319 | 2899 | 4980 | 6936  | 8404  | 13489 | 15554 | 16281 | 20270 | 20911 |
| 2187 | 2919 | 4610 | 5875  | 7390  | 12556 | 14033 | 16794 | 20998 | 21769 |
| 2235 | 2923 | 5121 | 6259  | 8099  | 13589 | 15340 | 16340 | 17927 | 20159 |
| 1765 | 2638 | 3751 | 5730  | 7883  | 10108 | 13633 | 15419 | 16808 | 18574 |
| 3460 | 5741 | 9596 | 11742 | 14413 | 16080 | 18173 | 19090 | 20845 | 21601 |
| 3735 | 4426 | 6199 | 7363  | 9250  | 14489 | 16035 | 17026 | 19873 | 20876 |
| 3521 | 4778 | 6887 | 8680  | 12717 | 14322 | 15950 | 18050 | 20166 | 21145 |
| 2141 | 2968 | 6865 | 8051  | 10010 | 13159 | 14813 | 15861 | 17528 | 18655 |
| 4148 | 6128 | 9028 | 10871 | 12686 | 14005 | 15976 | 17208 | 19587 | 20595 |
| 4403 | 5367 | 6634 | 8371  | 10163 | 11599 | 14963 | 16331 | 17982 | 18768 |
| 4091 | 5386 | 6852 | 8770  | 11563 | 13290 | 15728 | 16930 | 19056 | 20102 |
| 2746 | 3625 | 5299 | 7504  | 10262 | 11432 | 13172 | 15490 | 16875 | 17514 |
| 2248 | 3556 | 8539 | 10590 | 12665 | 14696 | 16515 | 17824 | 20268 | 21247 |
| 1279 | 1960 | 3920 | 7793  | 10153 | 14753 | 16646 | 18139 | 20679 | 21466 |
| 2440 | 3475 | 6737 | 8654  | 12190 | 14588 | 17119 | 17925 | 19110 | 19979 |
| 1879 | 2514 | 4497 | 7572  | 10017 | 14948 | 16141 | 16897 | 18397 | 19376 |
| 2804 | 3688 | 7490 | 10086 | 11218 | 12711 | 16307 | 17470 | 20077 | 21126 |
| 2023 | 2682 | 3873 | 8268  | 10255 | 11645 | 15187 | 17102 | 18965 | 19788 |
| 2823 | 3605 | 5815 | 8595  | 10085 | 11469 | 16568 | 17462 | 18754 | 19876 |
| 2851 | 3681 | 5280 | 7648  | 9173  | 10338 | 14961 | 16148 | 17559 | 18474 |
| 1348 | 2645 | 5826 | 8785  | 10620 | 12831 | 16255 | 18319 | 21133 | 22586 |
| 2141 | 3036 | 4293 | 6082  | 7593  | 10629 | 17158 | 18033 | 21466 | 22084 |
| 1608 | 2375 | 3384 | 6878  | 9970  | 11227 | 16928 | 17650 | 20185 | 21120 |
| 2774 | 3616 | 5014 | 6557  | 7788  | 8959  | 17068 | 18302 | 19537 | 20542 |
| 1934 | 4813 | 6204 | 7212  | 8979  | 11665 | 15989 | 17811 | 20426 | 21703 |
| 2288 | 3507 | 5037 | 6841  | 8278  | 9638  | 15066 | 16481 | 21653 | 22214 |
| 2951 | 3771 | 4878 | 7578  | 9016  | 10298 | 14490 | 15242 | 20223 | 20990 |
| 3256 | 4791 | 6601 | 7521  | 8644  | 9707  | 13398 | 16078 | 19102 | 20249 |
| 1827 | 2614 | 3486 | 6039  | 12149 | 13823 | 16191 | 17282 | 21423 | 22041 |
| 1000 | 1704 | 3002 | 6335  | 8471  | 10500 | 14878 | 16979 | 20026 | 22427 |
| 1646 | 2286 | 3109 | 7245  | 11493 | 12791 | 16824 | 17667 | 18981 | 20222 |
| 1708 | 2501 | 3315 | 6737  | 8729  | 9924  | 16089 | 17097 | 18374 | 19917 |
| 2623 | 3510 | 4478 | 5645  | 9862  | 11115 | 15219 | 18067 | 19583 | 20382 |

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|      |      |      |       |       |       |       |       |       |       |
|------|------|------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|
| 2518 | 3434 | 4728 | 6388  | 8082  | 9285  | 13162 | 18383 | 19819 | 20552 |
| 1726 | 2383 | 4090 | 6303  | 7805  | 12845 | 14612 | 17608 | 19269 | 20181 |
| 2860 | 3735 | 4838 | 6044  | 7254  | 8402  | 14031 | 16381 | 18037 | 19410 |
| 4247 | 5993 | 7952 | 9792  | 12342 | 14653 | 17527 | 18774 | 20831 | 21699 |
| 3502 | 4051 | 5680 | 6805  | 8146  | 11945 | 16649 | 17444 | 20390 | 21564 |
| 3151 | 4893 | 5899 | 7198  | 11418 | 13073 | 15124 | 17673 | 20520 | 21861 |
| 3960 | 4848 | 5926 | 7259  | 8811  | 10529 | 15661 | 16560 | 18196 | 20183 |
| 4499 | 6604 | 8036 | 9251  | 10804 | 12627 | 15880 | 17512 | 20020 | 21046 |
| 4251 | 5541 | 6654 | 8318  | 9900  | 11686 | 15100 | 17093 | 20572 | 21687 |
| 3769 | 5327 | 7865 | 9360  | 10684 | 11818 | 13660 | 15366 | 18733 | 19882 |
| 3083 | 3969 | 6248 | 8121  | 9798  | 10994 | 12393 | 13686 | 17888 | 19105 |
| 2731 | 4670 | 7063 | 9201  | 11346 | 13735 | 16875 | 18797 | 20787 | 22360 |
| 1187 | 2227 | 4737 | 7214  | 9622  | 12633 | 15404 | 17968 | 20262 | 23533 |
| 1911 | 2477 | 3915 | 10098 | 11616 | 12955 | 16223 | 17138 | 19270 | 20729 |
| 1764 | 2519 | 3887 | 6944  | 9150  | 12590 | 16258 | 16984 | 17924 | 18435 |
| 1400 | 3674 | 7131 | 8718  | 10688 | 12508 | 15708 | 17711 | 19720 | 21068 |
| 2322 | 3073 | 4287 | 8108  | 9407  | 10628 | 15862 | 16693 | 19714 | 21474 |
| 2630 | 3339 | 4758 | 8360  | 10274 | 11333 | 12880 | 17374 | 19221 | 19936 |
| 1721 | 2577 | 5553 | 7195  | 8651  | 10686 | 15069 | 16953 | 18703 | 19929 |

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VQ Table 2:

|       |       |       |       |       |
|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|
| -435  | -815  | -742  | 1033  | -518  |
| -833  | -891  | 463   | -8    | -1251 |
| -1021 | 231   | -306  | 321   | -220  |
| 57    | -198  | -339  | -33   | -1468 |
| 171   | -350  | 294   | 1660  | 453   |
| -701  | -842  | -58   | 950   | 892   |
| 584   | 31    | -289  | 356   | -333  |
| -109  | -808  | 231   | 77    | -87   |
| -859  | 1236  | 550   | 854   | 714   |
| -877  | -954  | -1248 | -299  | 212   |
| -77   | 344   | -620  | 763   | 413   |
| -314  | -307  | -256  | -1260 | -429  |
| 711   | 693   | 521   | 650   | 1305  |
| -112  | -271  | -500  | 946   | 1733  |
| 575   | -10   | -468  | -199  | 1101  |
| 145   | -285  | -1280 | -398  | 36    |
| -1133 | -835  | 1350  | 1284  | -95   |
| -1459 | -1237 | 416   | -213  | 466   |
| -15   | 66    | 468   | 1019  | -748  |
| -338  | 148   | 1445  | 75    | -760  |
| 389   | 239   | 1568  | 981   | 113   |
| -312  | -98   | 949   | 31    | 1104  |
| 1127  | 584   | 835   | 277   | -1159 |
| 539   | -114  | 856   | -493  | 223   |
| 2197  | 2337  | 1268  | 670   | 304   |
| -1596 | 550   | 801   | -456  | -56   |
| 1154  | 593   | -77   | 1237  | -31   |
| 397   | 558   | 203   | -797  | -919  |
| 334   | 1475  | 632   | -80   | 48    |
| -545  | -330  | -429  | -680  | 1133  |
| 1320  | 827   | -398  | -576  | 341   |
| -163  | 674   | -11   | -886  | 531   |

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**5,920,853****VQ Table 3:**

| 582   | -1201 | 829   | 86    | 385   |
|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|
| 1450  | 72    | -231  | 864   | 661   |
| -163  | -526  | -754  | -1633 | 267   |
| 573   | 796   | -169  | -631  | 816   |
| 519   | 291   | 159   | -640  | -1296 |
| 1549  | 715   | 527   | -714  | -193  |
| -457  | 612   | -283  | -1381 | -741  |
| -344  | 1341  | 1087  | -654  | -569  |
| -543  | -1752 | -195  | -98   | -276  |
| -235  | -728  | 949   | 1517  | 895   |
| 502   | -362  | -960  | -483  | 1386  |
| 450   | -466  | -108  | 1010  | 2223  |
| -28   | -378  | 744   | -1005 | 240   |
| 271   | -15   | 909   | -259  | 1688  |
| -1011 | 581   | -53   | -747  | 878   |
| -498  | -1377 | 18    | -444  | 1483  |
| 1015  | -222  | 443   | 372   | -354  |
| 669   | 659   | 1640  | 932   | 534   |
| 1385  | -182  | -907  | -721  | -262  |
| 569   | 1247  | 337   | 416   | -121  |
| 369   | -1003 | -507  | -587  | -904  |
| 72    | -141  | 1465  | 63    | -785  |
| 208   | 301   | -882  | 117   | -404  |
| -912  | 623   | -76   | 276   | -440  |
| -267  | -525  | 140   | 882   | -139  |
| -697  | 865   | 1060  | 413   | 446   |
| 581   | -1037 | -895  | 669   | 297   |
| 3     | 692   | -292  | 1050  | 782   |
| -1061 | -484  | 362   | -597  | -852  |
| -1182 | -744  | 1340  | 262   | 63    |
| -774  | -483  | -1247 | -70   | 98    |
| -1125 | -265  | -242  | 724   | 934   |

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## Mapping Unit 1

| Secondary Index | Primary Index |
|-----------------|---------------|
| 0               | 96            |
| 1               | 52            |
| 2               | 20            |
| 3               | 54            |
| 4               | 86            |
| 5               | 114           |
| 6               | 82            |
| 7               | 68            |
| 8               | 36            |
| 9               | 121           |
| 10              | 48            |
| 11              | 92            |
| 12              | 18            |
| 13              | 120           |
| 14              | 94            |
| 15              | 124           |
| 16              | 50            |
| 17              | 125           |
| 18              | 4             |
| 19              | 100           |
| 20              | 28            |
| 21              | 76            |
| 22              | 12            |
| 23              | 117           |
| 24              | 81            |
| 25              | 22            |
| 26              | 90            |
| 27              | 116           |
| 28              | 127           |
| 29              | 21            |
| 30              | 108           |
| 31              | 66            |

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| <b>Secondary Index</b> | <b>Primary Index</b> |
|------------------------|----------------------|
| 0                      | 31                   |
| 1                      | 21                   |
| 2                      | 9                    |
| 3                      | 3                    |
| 4                      | 10                   |
| 5                      | 2                    |
| 6                      | 19                   |
| 7                      | 26                   |
| 8                      | 4                    |
| 9                      | 3                    |
| 10                     | 11                   |
| 11                     | 29                   |
| 12                     | 15                   |
| 13                     | 27                   |
| 14                     | 21                   |
| 15                     | 12                   |

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| <b>Secondary Index</b> | <b>Primary Index</b> |
|------------------------|----------------------|
| 0                      | 16                   |
| 1                      | 1                    |
| 2                      | 0                    |
| 3                      | 0                    |
| 4                      | 8                    |
| 5                      | 25                   |
| 6                      | 22                   |
| 7                      | 20                   |
| 8                      | 19                   |
| 9                      | 23                   |
| 10                     | 20                   |
| 11                     | 31                   |
| 12                     | 4                    |
| 13                     | 31                   |
| 14                     | 20                   |
| 15                     | 31                   |

***Figure 7 (Sheet 3 of 3)***

**SIGNAL COMPRESSION USING INDEX  
MAPPING TECHNIQUE FOR THE SHARING  
OF QUANTIZATION TABLES**

**FIELD OF INVENTION**

The present invention relates to data compression in communications systems and in particular to scalar and vector quantization in speech, audio and image coding using embedded design.

**ART BACKGROUND**

Modern communications systems rely heavily on data compression techniques for "lossy" coding of signals such as speech, audio, still images and video sequences. As can be understood by those skilled in the art, coding of signals can done in either "lossy" or "lossless" methods, where lossy coding means that some distortion is introduced to the input signal by the coding system.

FIG. 1 depicts a general structure of a module (10) for signal compression and decompression in accordance with the present invention. The module (10) comprises an encoder (100) and a decoder (150). For data-receiving operations, only a decoder (150) is required. For data transmissions between two separate stations, the encoder and decoder should be provided at both the transmitting station and the receiving station. As a conceptual tool, compression will be described as occurring at the encoder (100) and decompression will be described as occurring at the decoder (150). In practical implementation, the encoder (100) and decoder (150) are contained in a single data module (10), which is implemented at both the transmitter station and receiver station.

The input signal (110) to the system is fed into the feature extraction unit (120) of the encoder (100). The extracted features are quantized by the feature quantization unit (130) and the resulting representation (131), which may include indices, is sent to the decoder (150). The features decoding unit (160) receives the lossy representation (151) and generates the lossy version (161) of the features from the lossy representation (151). The lossy version (161) is used by the signal reconstruction module (170) to produce the reconstructed output signal (180).

As can be understood from the description above, quantization methods play a major role in data compression. Quantization can be done on a single feature of the compressed signal, commonly called Scalar Quantization (SQ), or can be performed on a vector of features, commonly called Vector Quantization (VQ). Since a single feature can be regarded as a one-dimensional vector, SQ can be considered as a particular case of VQ. In the following description of this disclosure, the VQ schemes will be discussed. An example of speech coding algorithm which utilizes VQ as well as SQ is the recently adopted International Telecommunications Union (ITU) Recommendation G.729.

The concept of VQ is a well-established technique for signal compression. The technique can be generalized as follows. A table which holds a set of vectors, representing the signal (or some features of the signal), is first constructed. For each vector of the original signal (or a feature vector), the table is searched for the best representative entry in the table. The index of that entry is then stored or transmitted. Using the index as a pointer to an entry in the table, a lossy version of the original vector can be retrieved. The quantization table can be stored or can be represented according to some rule(s), such as a mapping scheme from an index to a vector.

FIG. 2 illustrates a typical structure of a VQ encoder (200) and a VQ decoder (250). The input vector (215) is presented to the search unit (220). The search unit (220) compares the input vector to each of the vectors stored in the VQ table (225), using the comparison unit (230). The comparison unit (230) compares the input vector to a vector in the table (225) using a distance measure which can also depend on a vector of distance parameters (235). The index (140) of the best representative vector is stored or transmitted to the VQ decoder (250) through a communications channel (245). The VQ decoder (250), including a retrieval unit (255), uses the index (140) to retrieve an entry from a copy (260) of the VQ table (225), which becomes the decoded output (265).

In some applications, the VQ table may be represented by a few smaller tables and a combining unit. The single index into the former larger table can be replaced with a few indices into these small tables. Upon retrieval, the entries from all the tables are combined into one output vector. Such VQ systems are commonly called "product code VQ."

The basic structure of a product code VQ is depicted in FIG. 3. A product code encoder (310) communicates with a product code decoder (350) (or "VQ decoder") via a communication channel (345) coupled to a retrieval unit (360). The input vector (315) is presented to the search unit (320). The search unit (320) compares the input vector to the entries in the multiple VQ tables (325), using the comparison unit (330). The comparison unit (330) compares the input vector to some combination of the vectors in the tables using a distance measure which can depend also on a vector of distance parameters (335). The indices (340) are stored or transmitted to the VQ decoder (350). The VQ decoder (350) uses the indices (340) to retrieve the entries from a copy (355) of the VQ table (325) and combine them using a combining unit (365). The combined vector becomes the decoded output (370).

Commonly, each signal compression scheme (such as a speech coding algorithm) uses specifically pre-designed quantization tables, which might be large and occupy a significant portion of the available memory.

However, in many practical applications, different compression schemes are used for the same signal. For example, different coding algorithms can be used for different rates in a variable-rate speech coding scheme. Hence, a method for sharing quantization tables in those cases is greatly desired. If all the schemes are designed at the same time, quantization tables can be shared by a technique called Constrained Storage VQ ("CSVQ"). However, if a new compression scheme is designed to work together with an already existing compression scheme, a new approach to the sharing of quantization tables is needed.

**SUMMARY OF THE PRESENT INVENTION**

A signal compression system is disclosed, which generally comprises a coder and a decoder. The coder comprises an extraction unit for extracting an input feature vector from an input signal, a coder memory unit for storing a pre-designed VQ table for the coder with the coder memory unit using a set of primary indices to address entries within the pre-designed VQ table, a coder mapping unit for mapping indices from a set of secondary indices to the set of primary indices with the set of secondary indices corresponding to a pre-selected subset of the pre-designed VQ table, a search unit for searching for one index out of the set of secondary indices with the index from the set of secondary indices corresponding to an entry in the coder memory unit, wherein the entry best represents the input feature vector according

to some predetermined criteria. The index from the set of secondary indices can then be transmitted through a communications channel.

On the decoder side, the decoder comprises a decoder memory unit for storing the same pre-designed VQ table as the coder memory unit with the decoder memory unit also using the set of primary indices to address entries within the pre-designed VQ table, a decoder mapping unit for mapping the one index from the set of secondary indices to one index from the set of primary indices, a retrieval unit for retrieving an entry from the decoder memory unit by mapping the one index from the set of primary indices to an entry from the decoder memory unit, wherein the entry best represents the input feature vector.

The index mapping approach in accordance with the present invention can be applied to address the problem of spectral quantization for speech signals, as well as spectral quantization of the background noise presented during silence periods. In many speech communications systems, the pre-designed VQ table (420) is designed for a faithful representation of the speech spectrum. However, the background noise during silence periods can be faithfully represented using a smaller number of bits and smaller quantization tables. A subset of the tables used for speech spectral quantization can be chosen to represent the spectrum of the background noise, and the index mapping technique described above can be used to represent this subset. Further, different search units and comparison units can be used for speech spectral quantization and for background noise spectral quantization.

#### BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF THE DRAWINGS

FIG. 1 depicts a typical structure of a module for signal compression and decompression using VQ quantization.

FIG. 2 depicts a typical structure of a VQ encoder and a VQ decoder.

FIG. 3 depicts a basic structure of a product code VQ.

FIG. 4 depicts a generalized structure of the index mapping system in accordance with the present invention.

FIG. 5 depicts a generalize structure of multiple index mapping system in accordance with the present invention.

FIG. 6 lists the three (3) pre-designed VQ tables in accordance with the ITU Recommendations G.729/G.729A.

FIG. 7 lists the three (3) index mapping units for the three (3) VQ tables in accordance with the present invention.

#### DETAILED DESCRIPTION OF THE PREFERRED EMBODIMENT

An efficient data compression and decompression system using VQ for a communications system is disclosed. In the following description, numerous specific details are set forth, such as tables, indices, or memory sizes, in order to provide a thorough understanding of the present invention. It should be understood, however, by those skilled in the art that these details are not required to practice the present invention. In other instances, well known circuits, methods and the like are not set forth in detail to avoid unnecessarily obscuring the present invention.

In any speech coding system, the quantization of the speech spectrum requires a substantial number of bits for its faithful representation in order to cover the wide range of speech spectra. However, a background acoustic noise is almost always present during typical speech communications in a car, in an office or on the street. The spectrum of the background noise has a much smaller dynamic range

than that of speech communications, and thus requires much fewer number of bits for its faithful representation. Therefore, the usage of the conventional quantization scheme for the speech spectrum in order to quantize the background noise spectrum has become redundant due to the number of bits required.

A possible solution to the above-described problem is to have a different representation for the spectrum of the background noise. This representation may also be of the form of tables which have smaller sizes than the ones used for speech, due to the considerably fewer number of bits needed for the spectrum representation of the background noise. However, this approach ends up requiring a substantial increase in memory storage for the new tables, as can be appreciated by those skilled in the art.

A further improved approach to the above-described problem is to use a reduced version of the existing tables, which represent the speech spectrum, for the representation of the background noise spectrum. To that end, an auxiliary look-up table of an extremely small memory storage requirement can be designed. This auxiliary table uses indices of the pre-selected useful entries from the speech spectrum tables. As can be appreciated by those skilled in the art, this approach will result in a much less complex system, as well as fewer number of bits for representing the background noise.

With the above described system in mind, the data compression system in accordance with the present invention uses a scheme of index mapping, which can be implemented using a table of look-up pointers, for sharing quantization tables. The basic structure of an index mapping system is described in FIG. 4. A feature vector (410) has to be quantized by a pre-designed VQ table (420). However, only a predetermined subset of the entries of the pre-designed VQ

table (420) needs to be used for the quantization of the feature vector (410). This pre-determined subset of the entries is defined by its set of primary indices (430) into the quantization table (420). The set of primary indices (430) is generated by a mapping unit (440) from a set of secondary indices (450). A search unit (460) runs over all the indices in the set of secondary indices (450), each defining a unique entry in the VQ table (420) by the index mapping unit (440), and chooses the entry from the pre-determined subset of the entries which best represents the features vector according to a predetermined set of criteria, through the comparison unit (465). The indices from the set of secondary indices (450) are now describing the "lossy" representation (131) of the features vector (410) and transmitted to by a decoder (150) of FIG. 1.

The index mapping technique described above can be extended to include a multiplicity of pre-designed VQ tables and a multiplicity of index mapping units for the implementation of various product code VQ systems (as in FIG. 3). Note that in FIG. 3, each VQ table (325, 355) can be implemented by a unique pair of index mapping unit and a pre-designed VQ table such as index 440 and table 420 in FIG. 4.

The index mapping approach in accordance with the present invention may be further applied to address the problem of spectral quantization for speech signals, as well as spectral quantization of the background noise presented during silence periods. In many speech communications systems, the pre-designed VQ table (420) is designed for a faithful representation of the speech spectrum. Similarly, the background noise during silence periods can also be faithfully represented using smaller number of bits and smaller

quantization tables. A subset of the tables used for speech spectral quantization can be chosen to represent the spectrum of the background noise, and the index mapping technique described above can be used to represent this subset. As should be noted, different search units and comparison units can be used for speech spectral quantization and for background noise spectral quantization.

A 3-table product code VQ with 128, 32, and 32 entries is used for spectral quantization of speech signals in the ITU Recommendations G.729 and Annex A of Recommendations G.729 ("G.729A"). The 3-table product code VQ according to the Recommendations is listed in FIG. 6. However, as contributed by Assignee of the present invention, for the quantization of the background noise in Recommendations G.729B, only 32, 16 and 16 entries, respectively, out of the 3 VQ tables are needed. The 3 mapping units for the 3 VQ tables in accordance with the present invention are listed in FIG. 7. The contents of ITU Recommendations G.729, G.729A and G.729B ("Coding of Speech at 8 kbit/s Using Conjugate-Structured Algebraic-Code-Excited Linear-Prediction" and its Annexes A and B) are hereby incorporated by reference.

FIG. 5 depicts an index mapping system for the quantization of the background noise according to the ITU Recommendations G.729B. Two indices are used to describe the entries into the VQ tables. The first index (510) is mapped by the first index mapping module (520) into the first VQ table (530). The second index (550) is mapped by the second index mapping module (560) into the second VQ table (570) and is also mapped by the third index mapping module (580) into the third VQ table (590).

From the above description, a methodology for sharing quantization tables between different data compression schemes have been disclosed. The methodology uses index mapping technique into existing quantization tables for table space reduction and memory saving. In particular, the methodology according to the present invention allows for sharing spectral quantization tables between Recommendations G.729/G.729A and G.729B.

Although only a few exemplary embodiments of this invention have been described in detail above, those skilled in the art will readily appreciate that many modifications are possible in the exemplary embodiments without materially departing from the novel teachings and advantages of this invention. Accordingly, all such modifications are intended to be included within the scope of this invention as defined in the following claims. In the claims, means-plus-function clauses are intended to cover the structures described herein as performing the recited function and not only structural equivalents but also equivalent structures. Thus although a nail and a screw may not be structural equivalents in that a nail employs a cylindrical surface to secure wooden parts together, whereas a screw employs a helical surface, in the environment of fastening wooden parts, a nail and a screw may be equivalent structures.

We claim:

1. A system for coding and decoding feature vectors of a signal transmitted through a communications channel, comprising a coder and a decoder, wherein:

a) the coder comprises:

extraction means for extracting an input feature vector from the signal;  
coder memory means for storing one pre-designed VQ table for the coder, the coder memory means using a set of primary indices to address entries within the pre-designed VQ table;

coder mapping unit for mapping indices from a set of fixed length secondary indices to the set of primary indices, the set of secondary indices corresponding to one pre-selected subset of the pre-designed VQ table; search means coupled to the coder mapping unit for searching for one index out of the set of secondary indices, wherein the one index from the set of secondary indices corresponds to one index from the set of primary indices which corresponds to an entry in the coder memory means, wherein the entry in the coder memory means which best represents the input feature vector according to predetermined criteria;

b) the decoder comprises:

decoder memory means for storing the same at least one pre-designed VQ table as stored by the coder memory means, the decoder memory means also using the set of primary indices to address entries within the pre-designed VQ table;

decoder mapping unit for mapping the one index from the set of secondary indices to one index from the set of primary indices;

retrieval means for retrieving an entry from the decoder memory means by mapping the one index from the set of primary indices as mapped by the decoder mapping unit to one entry from the decoder memory means, wherein the entry best represents the input feature vector.

2. A system according to claim 1, wherein:

the coder mapping unit comprises a lookup table; and the decoder mapping unit comprises a lookup table.

3. A coder for coding feature vectors of a signal for processing, comprising:

extraction means for extracting an input feature vector from the signal;

coder memory means for storing one pre-designed VQ table for the coder, the coder memory means using a set of primary indices to address entries within the pre-designed VQ table;

coder mapping unit for mapping indices from a set of fixed length secondary indices to the set of primary indices, the set of secondary indices corresponding to one pre-selected subset of the pre-designed VQ table; search means coupled to the coder mapping unit for searching for one index out of the set of secondary indices, wherein the one index from the set of secondary indices corresponds to one index from the set of primary indices which corresponds to an entry in the coder memory means, wherein the entry in the coder memory means best represents the input feature vector according to predetermined criteria to an entry in the coder memory means which best represents the input feature vector according to predetermined criteria.

4. A decoder for decoding a feature vector of a signal received from a coder having a pre-designed VQ table, a set of primary indices, and a set of fixed length secondary indices associated therewith, said decoder comprising:

decoder memory means for storing the pre-designed VQ table and a pre-selected subset of the pre-designed VQ table associated with the set of secondary indices, wherein the decoder memory means uses the set of primary indices to address entries within the pre-designed VQ table;

decoder mapping unit for mapping an index from the set of secondary indices to an index from the set of primary indices;

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retrieval means for retrieving an entry from the decoder memory means by mapping the index from the set of primary indices as mapped by the decoder mapping unit to an entry from the decoder memory means, wherein the entry best represents the feature vector.

5. A system for coding and decoding feature vectors of a signal transmitted through a communications channel, comprising a coder and a decoder, wherein:

a) the coder comprises:

extraction means for extracting an input feature vector from the signal;

coder memory means for storing at least one pre-designed VQ table for the coder, the coder memory means using at least one set of primary indices to address entries within the at least one pre-designed VQ table;

at least one coder mapping unit for mapping indices from at least one set of fixed length secondary indices to the at least one set of primary indices, the at least one set of secondary indices corresponding to at least one pre-selected subset of the pre-designed VQ table;

search means coupled to the coder mapping means for searching for at least one index out of the at least one set of secondary indices, wherein the at least one index from the at least one set of secondary indices corresponds to at least one index from the at least one set of primary indices which corresponds to at least one entry in the coder memory means, wherein the at least one entry in the coder memory means best represents the input feature vector according to predetermined criteria to at least one entry in the coder memory means which best represents to the input feature vector according to predetermined criteria;

b) the decoder comprises:

decoder memory means for storing at least one pre-designed VQ table which is the same as stored by the coder memory means, the decoder memory means also using at least one set of primary indices to address entries within the at least one pre-designed VQ table;

decoder mapping unit for mapping the at least one index from the least one set of secondary indices to the at least one set of primary indices;

retrieval means for retrieving at least one entry from the decoder memory means by mapping the at least one index from the at least one set of primary indices as mapped by the decoder mapping unit to at least one entry from the decoder memory means, wherein the at least one entry best represents the input feature vector.

6. A coder for coding feature vectors of a signal, comprising:

extraction means for extracting an input feature vector from the signal;

coder memory means for storing at least one pre-designed VQ table for the coder, the coder memory means using at least one set of primary indices to address entries within the at least one pre-designed VQ table;

at least one coder mapping unit for mapping indices from at least one set of fixed length secondary indices to the at least one set of primary indices, the at least one set of secondary indices corresponding to at least one pre-selected subset of the pre-designed VQ table;

search means coupled to the coder mapping means for searching for at least one index out of the at least one set of secondary indices, wherein the at least one index corresponds to at least one index from the at least one set of primary indices which corresponds to at least one

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entry in the coder memory means, wherein the at least one entry in the coder memory means best represents the input feature vector according to predetermined criteria to at least one entry in the coder memory means which best represents to the input feature vector according to predetermined criteria.

7. A decoder for decoding a feature vector of a signal, which is coded by a coder comprising coder memory means with at least one pre-designed VQ table, said decoder comprising:

decoder memory means for storing said at least one pre-designed VQ table and a pre-selected subset of the pre-designed VQ table associated with a set of fixed length secondary indices, wherein the decoder memory means uses at least one set of primary indices to address entries within the at least one pre-designed VQ table; decoder mapping unit for mapping at least one index from the set of secondary indices to the at least one set of primary indices;

retrieval means for retrieving at least one entry from the decoder memory means by mapping the at least one index as mapped by the decoder mapping unit to at least one entry from the decoder memory means, wherein the at least one entry best represents the feature vector.

8. A coder for coding feature vectors of a signal, comprising:

extraction means for extracting an input feature vector from the signal;

coder memory means for storing first, second and third pre-designed VQ tables for the coder, the coder memory means using first, second and third sets of primary indices to address entries within the first, second and third pre-designed VQ tables, respectively;

three (3) coder mapping units for mapping indices from a first set of fixed length secondary indices to the first set of primary indices and from a second set of fixed length secondary indices to the second and third sets of primary indices, wherein the first and second sets of secondary indices correspond to 3 subsets of the first, second and third sets of primary indices of the first, second and third pre-designed VQ tables, respectively;

search means coupled to the 3 coder mapping units for searching for 2 secondary indices out of the first and second sets of secondary indices, wherein each of the 2 secondary indices from the first and second sets of secondary indices corresponds to 3 indices from the first, second and third sets of primary indices which correspond to 3 entries in the coder memory means' 3 pre-designed VQ tables, wherein the 3 entries best represent the input feature vector according to predetermined criteria.

9. The system according to claim 8, wherein the 3 coder mapping units are implemented using first, second and third lookup tables, wherein:

first lookup table comprises: {96, 52, 20, 54, 86, 114, 82, 68, 36, 121, 48, 92, 18, 120, 94, 124, 50, 125, 4, 100, 28, 76, 12, 117, 81, 22, 90, 116, 127, 21, 108, 66};

second lookup table comprises: {31, 21, 9, 3, 10, 2, 19, 26, 4, 3, 11, 29, 15, 27, 21, 12}; and

third lookup table comprises: {16, 1, 0, 0, 8, 25, 22, 20, 19, 23, 20, 31, 4, 31, 20, 31}.

10. The system according to claim 8, wherein the 3 coder mapping units comprise:

first means for generating a mapping from a secondary index to a primary index in accordance with a first set

of ordered pairs of secondary and primary indices respectfully, comprising: {0,96}, {1,52},{2,20}, {3,54}, {4,86}, {5,114},{6,82}, {7,68}, {8,36}, {9,121},{10,48}, {11, 92}, {12,18}, {13,120}, {14, 94}, {15,124}, {16,50}, {17,125}, {18,4}, {19,100}, {20,28}, {21,76}, {22,12}, {23,117}, {24,81}, {25, 22}, {26,90}, {27,116}, {28,127}, {29,21}, {30, 108}, {31,66};

second means for generating a mapping from a secondary index to a primary index in accordance with a second set of ordered pairs of secondary and primary indices respectively, comprising: {0,31}, {1,21}, {2,9}, {3,3}, {4,10}, {5,2}, {6,19}, {7,26}, {8,4}, {9,3}, {10,11}, {11,29}, {12,15}, {13,27}, {14,21}, {15,12};

third means for generating a mapping from a secondary index to a primary index in accordance with a third set of ordered pairs of secondary and primary indices respectively, comprising: {0,16}, {1,1}, {2,0}, {3,0}, {4,8}, {5,25}, {6,22}, {7,20}, {8,19}, {9,23}, {10,20}, {11,31}, {12,4}, {13,31}, {14,20}, {15,31}.

11. A decoder for decoding a feature vector of a coded signal based on a first and second set of fixed length secondary indices, wherein the coded signal has been coded by a coder with first, second and third pre-designed VQ tables, comprising:

means for receiving the first and second secondary indices;

decoder memory means for storing the first, second and third pre-designed VQ tables which are the same VQ tables as stored by the coder, the decoder memory means using first, second and third sets of primary indices to address entries within the first, second and third pre-designed VQ tables;

three (3) decoder mapping units for mapping the first secondary index to a first primary index out of the first set of primary indices, and mapping the second secondary index to second and third primary indices out of the second and third sets of primary indices;

retrieval means for retrieving 3 entries from the decoder memory means by mapping the first, secondary and third primary indices as mapped by the three decoder mapping units to 3 entries from the decoder memory means, wherein the 3 entries best represent the feature vector.

12. A system for coding and decoding feature vectors of a signal transmitted through a communications channel, comprising a coder and a decoder, wherein:

a) the coder comprises:

extraction means for extracting an input feature vector from the signal;

coder memory means for storing first, second and third pre-designed VQ tables for the coder, the coder memory means using first, second and third sets of primary indices to address entries within the first, second and third pre-designed VQ tables, respectively;

three (3) coder mapping units for mapping indices from a first set of fixed-length secondary indices to the first set of primary indices and from a second set of fixed-length secondary indices to the second and third sets of primary indices, the first and second sets of secondary indices corresponding to 3 subsets of the first, second and third sets of primary indices of the first, second and third pre-designed VQ tables, respectively;

search means coupled to the 3 coder mapping units for searching for 2 secondary indices out of the first and second sets of secondary indices, wherein each of the

2 secondary indices from the first and second sets of secondary indices corresponds to 3 entries from the first, second and third set of primary indices, wherein the 3 entries best represent the input feature vector according to predetermined criteria; and

b) the decoder comprises:

means for receiving the first and second secondary indices;

decoder memory means for storing the first, second and third pre-designed VQ tables, the decoder memory means using first, second and third sets of primary indices to address entries within the first, second and third pre-designed VQ tables;

three (3) decoder mapping units for mapping the first secondary index to a first primary index out of the first set of primary indices, and mapping the second secondary index to second and third primary indices out of the second and third sets of primary indices;

retrieval means for retrieving 3 entries from the decoder memory means by mapping the first, second and third primary indices as mapped by the three decoder mapping units to 3 entries from the decoder memory means, wherein the 3 entries best represent the input feature vector.

13. The system according to claim 12, wherein said signal comprises an encoded speech signal comprising a speech period and a silence period, and wherein said speech period is encoded in accordance with said three pre-designed VQ tables, and said silence period is encoded in defined with said first and second set of secondary indices.

14. The system according to claim 12, wherein the 3 coder mapping units are implemented using first, second and third lookup tables, wherein:

first lookup table comprises: {96, 52, 20, 54, 86, 114, 82, 68, 36, 121, 48, 92, 18, 120, 94, 124, 50, 125, 4, 100, 28, 76, 12, 117, 81, 22, 90, 116, 127, 21, 108, 66};

second lookup table comprises: {31, 21, 9, 3, 10, 2, 19, 26, 4, 3, 11, 29, 15, 27, 21, 12}; and

third lookup table comprises: {16, 1, 0, 0, 8, 25, 22, 20, 19, 23, 20, 31, 4, 31, 20, 31}.

15. The system according to claim 12, wherein the 3 coder mapping units comprise:

first means for generating a mapping from a secondary index to a primary index in accordance with a first set of ordered pairs of secondary and primary indices respectfully, comprising: {0,96}, {1,52}, {2,20}, {3,54}, {4,86}, {5,114}, {6,82}, {7,68}, {8,36}, {9,121}, {10,48}, {11, p}, {12,18}, {13,120}, {14,94}, {15,124}, {16,50}, {17,125}, {18,4}, {19,100}, {20, 28}, {21,76}, {22,12}, {23,117}, {24,81}, {25,22}, {26,90}, {27,116}, {28,127}, {29,21}, {30, 108}, {31, 66};

second means for generating a mapping from a secondary index to a primary index in accordance with a second set of ordered pairs of secondary and primary indices respectively, comprising: {0,31}, {1,21}, {2,9}, {3,3}, {4,10}, {5,2}, {6,19}, {7,26}, {8,4}, {9,2}, {10,11}, {11,29}, {12,15}, {13,27}, {14,21}, {15,12};

third means for generating a mapping from a secondary index to a primary index in accordance with a third set of ordered pairs of secondary and primary indices respectfully, comprising: {0,16}, {1,1}, {2,0}, {3,0}, {4,8}, {5,25}, {6,22}, {7,20}, {8,19}, {9,23}, {10,20}, {11,31}, {12,4}, {13,31}, {14,20}, {15,31}.

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It is certified that error appears in the above-identified patent and that said Letters Patent is hereby corrected as shown below:

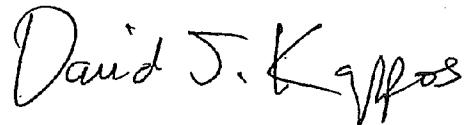
In the claims, column 6, lines 52-54, delete "to an entry in the coder memory means which best represents the input feature vector according to predetermined criteria."

In the claims, column 7, lines 31-33, delete "to at least one entry in the coder memory means which best represents the input feature vector according to predetermined criteria."

In the claims, column 8, lines 4-6, delete "to at least one entry in the coder memory means which best represents the input feature vector according to predetermined criteria."

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| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 1 Original Proceeding <input type="checkbox"/> 2 Removed from State Court <input type="checkbox"/> 3 Remanded from Appellate Court <input type="checkbox"/> 4 Reinstated or Reopened <input type="checkbox"/> 5 Transferred from another district (specify): <input type="checkbox"/> 6 Multi-District Litigation <input type="checkbox"/> 7 Appeal to District Judge from Magistrate Judge   |  |  |  |   |  |     |     |                       |                            |                            |   |                            |                            |                          |                            |                            |   |                            |                            |   |                            |                            |                |                            |                            |
| <b>V. REQUESTED IN COMPLAINT: JURY DEMAND:</b> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No (Check 'Yes' only if demanded in complaint.)   |  |  |  |   |  |     |     |                       |                            |                            |   |                            |                            |                          |                            |                            |   |                            |                            |   |                            |                            |                |                            |                            |
| <b>CLASS ACTION under F.R.C.P. 23:</b> <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No <b>MONEY DEMANDED IN COMPLAINT:</b> \$ over \$75,000   |  |  |  |   |  |     |     |                       |                            |                            |   |                            |                            |                          |                            |                            |   |                            |                            |   |                            |                            |                |                            |                            |
| <b>VI. CAUSE OF ACTION</b> (Cite the U.S. Civil Statute under which you are filing and write a brief statement of cause. Do not cite jurisdictional statutes unless diversity.)<br>Patent Infringement  |  |  |  |   |  |     |     |                       |                            |                            |   |                            |                            |                          |                            |                            |   |                            |                            |   |                            |                            |                |                            |                            |
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Act</li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> 900 Appeal of Fee Determination Under Equal Access to Justice</li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> 950 Constitutionality of State Statutes</li> </ul> | <b>CONTRACT</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><input type="checkbox"/> 110 Insurance</li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> 120 Marine</li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> 130 Miller Act</li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> 140 Negotiable Instrument</li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> 150 Recovery of Overpayment &amp; Enforcement of Judgment</li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> 151 Medicare Act</li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> 152 Recovery of Defaulted Student Loan (Excl. Veterans)</li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> 153 Recovery of Overpayment of Veteran's Benefits</li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> 160 Stockholders' Suits</li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> 190 Other Contract</li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> 195 Contract Product Liability</li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> 196 Franchise</li> </ul>  | <b>TORTS</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><b>PERSONAL INJURY</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><input type="checkbox"/> 310 Airplane</li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> 315 Airplane Product Liability</li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> 320 Assault, Libel &amp; Slander</li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> 330 Fed. 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Relations</li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> 730 Labor/Mgmt. Reporting &amp; Disclosure Act</li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> 740 Railway Labor Act</li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> 790 Other Labor Litigation</li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> 791 Empl. Ret. Inc. Security Act</li> </ul> |  |     |     |                       |                            |                            |   |                            |                            |                          |                            |                            |   |                            |                            |   |                            |                            |                |                            |                            |
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**UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT, CENTRAL DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA  
CIVIL COVER SHEET**

**VIII(a). IDENTICAL CASES:** Has this action been previously filed in this court and dismissed or remanded or closed?  No  Yes  
If yes, list case number(s): \_\_\_\_\_

**VIII(b). RELATED CASES:** Have any cases been previously filed in this court that are related to the present case?  No  Yes  
If yes, list case number(s): \_\_\_\_\_

**Civil cases are deemed related if a previously filed case and the present case:**

- (Check all boxes that apply)
- A. Arise from the same or closely related transactions, happenings, or events; or
  - B. Call for determination of the same or substantially related or similar questions of law and fact; or
  - C. For other reasons would entail substantial duplication of labor if heard by different judges; or
  - D. Involve the same patent, trademark or copyright, and one of the factors identified above in a, b or c also is present.

**IX. VENUE:** (When completing the following information, use an additional sheet if necessary.)

- (a) List the County in this District; California County outside of this District; State if other than California; or Foreign Country, in which EACH named plaintiff resides.  
 Check here if the government, its agencies or employees is a named plaintiff. If this box is checked, go to item (b).

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| County in this District: <sup>*</sup> | California County outside of this District; State, if other than California; or Foreign Country |
| Orange County                         |   |

- (b) List the County in this District; California County outside of this District; State if other than California; or Foreign Country, in which EACH named defendant resides.  
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| County in this District: <sup>*</sup> | California County outside of this District; State, if other than California; or Foreign Country  |
|                                       | Orange (D-Link); Santa Clara (Cisco); Santa Clara (HP); New Jersey (Avaya); Luxembourg (Skype Tech.); Santa Clara (Skype); Massachusetts (Sonus); Massachusetts (Grandstream); Canada (Mitel); Santa Clara (HelloSoft) |

- (c) List the County in this District; California County outside of this District; State if other than California; or Foreign Country, in which EACH claim arose.  
**Note: In land condemnation cases, use the location of the tract of land involved.**

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\* Los Angeles, Orange, San Bernardino, Riverside, Ventura, Santa Barbara, or San Luis Obispo Counties

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X. SIGNATURE OF ATTORNEY (OR PRO PER): Alexander W. Sizemore Date April 6, 2011

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Key to Statistical codes relating to Social Security Cases:

| Nature of Suit Code | Abbreviation | Substantive Statement of Cause of Action   |
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| 861                 | HIA          | All claims for health insurance benefits (Medicare) under Title 18, Part A, of the Social Security Act, as amended. Also, include claims by hospitals, skilled nursing facilities, etc., for certification as providers of services under the program. (42 U.S.C. 1935FF(b)) |
| 862                 | BL           | All claims for "Black Lung" benefits under Title 4, Part B, of the Federal Coal Mine Health and Safety Act of 1969. (30 U.S.C. 923)  |
| 863                 | DIWC         | All claims filed by insured workers for disability insurance benefits under Title 2 of the Social Security Act, as amended; plus all claims filed for child's insurance benefits based on disability. (42 U.S.C. 405(g))   |
| 863                 | DIWW         | All claims filed for widows or widowers insurance benefits based on disability under Title 2 of the Social Security Act, as amended. (42 U.S.C. 405(g))  |
| 864                 | SSID         | All claims for supplemental security income payments based upon disability filed under Title 16 of the Social Security Act, as amended.  |
| 865                 | RSI          | All claims for retirement (old age) and survivors benefits under Title 2 of the Social Security Act, as amended. (42 U.S.C. (g))   |

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UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
 CENTRAL DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA

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| AIM IP, LLC, a California limited liability company, | CASE NUMBER |
| PLAINTIFF(S)   |             |
| v.   |             |
| CISCO SYSTEMS, INC., a California corporation,       |             |
| (See Attachment A for list of additional Defendants) |             |
| DEFENDANT(S).  |             |
| <b>SUMMONS</b>                                       |             |

TO: DEFENDANT(S): \_\_\_\_\_

A lawsuit has been filed against you.

Within 21 days after service of this summons on you (not counting the day you received it), you must serve on the plaintiff an answer to the attached  complaint  amended complaint  counterclaim  cross-claim or a motion under Rule 12 of the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure. The answer or motion must be served on the plaintiff's attorney, Alexander C.D. Giza, whose address is Russ, August & Kabat, 12424 Wilshire Blvd., 12th Floor, Los Angeles, CA 90025. If you fail to do so, judgment by default will be entered against you for the relief demanded in the complaint. You also must file your answer or motion with the court.

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Dated: \_\_\_\_\_

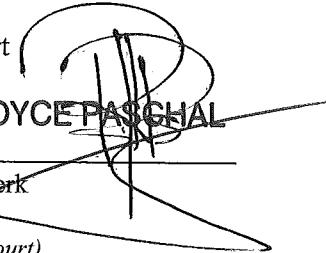
Clerk, U.S. District Court

By: \_\_\_\_\_

**ROLLS ROYCE PASCHAL**

Deputy Clerk

(Seal of the Court)



[Use 60 days if the defendant is the United States or a United States agency, or is an officer or employee of the United States. Allowed 60 days by Rule 12(a)(3).]

**ATTACHMENT A**

**LIST OF ADDITIONAL DEFENDANTS**

HEWLETT-PACKARD COMPANY, a Delaware corporation;  
AVAYA INC., a Delaware corporation;  
D-LINK SYSTEMS, INC., a California corporation;  
SKYPE TECHNOLOGIES S.A., a Luxembourg corporation;  
SKYPE, INC., a California corporation;  
SONUS NETWORK, INC., a Delaware corporation;  
GRANDSTREAM NETWORKS, INC., a Delaware corporation;  
MITEL NETWORKS CORPORATION, a Canadian corporation; and  
HELLOSOFT, INC, a Delaware corporation.