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(54) **METHOD, APPARATUS AND RECORDING MEDIUM FOR DATA COMPRESSION**

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(57) **ABSTRACT**

Fast and efficient data compression can be carried out. Original image data are subjected to wavelet transform. The obtained wavelet-transformed data are classified and bit allocation is determined. Based on the determined bit allocation, the wavelet-transformed data are quantized and quantized data are obtained. The quantized data are classified into 0 data and non-zero data. Binary classification information data indicating this classification are also obtained. The classification information data are coded according to a coding method having a comparatively simple operation, such as Huffman coding and run length coding. The multi-valued, non-zero data are coded according to a coding method having a high compression efficiency although having a comparatively complex operation, such as universal coding and Golomb-Rice coding.

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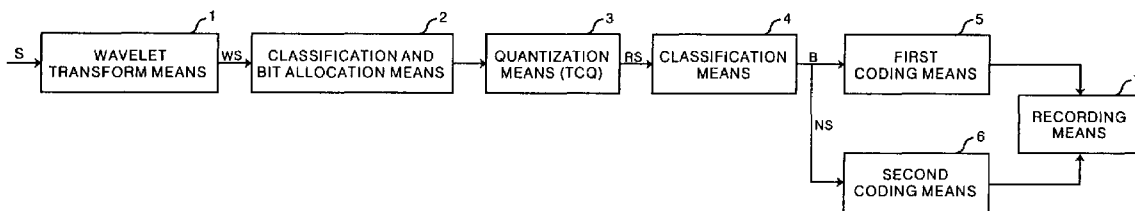
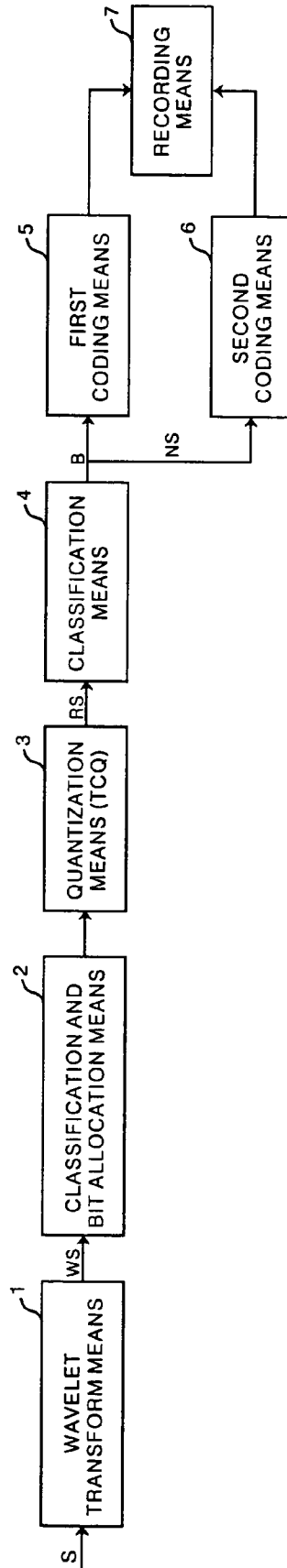


FIG. 1



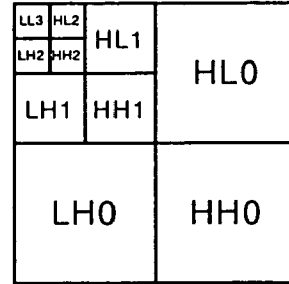
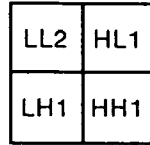
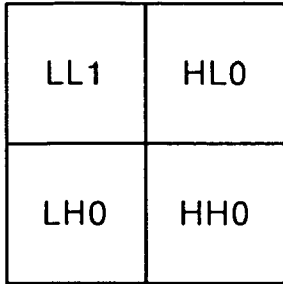


FIG.2a FIG.2b FIG.2c

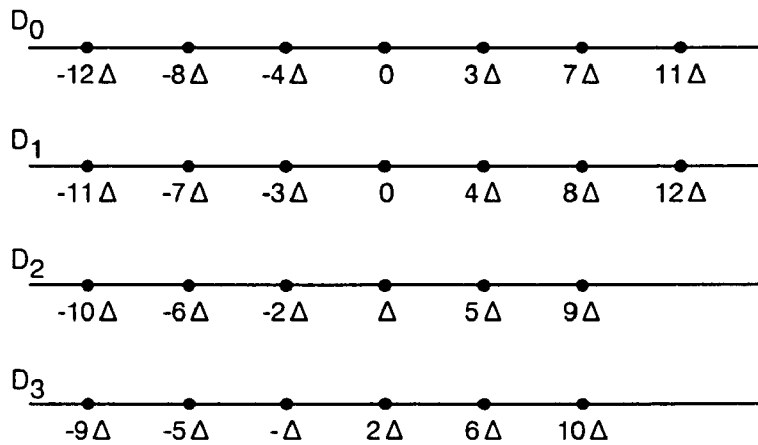


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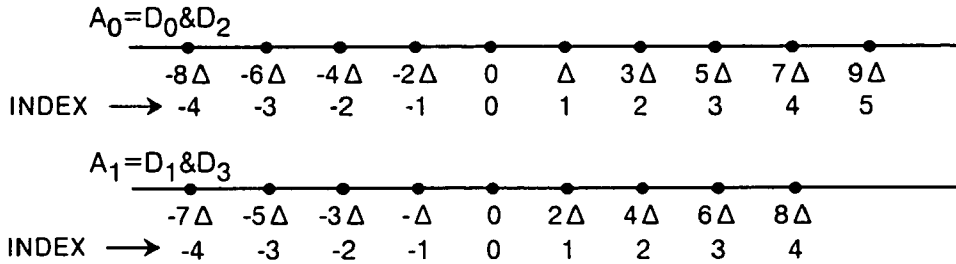


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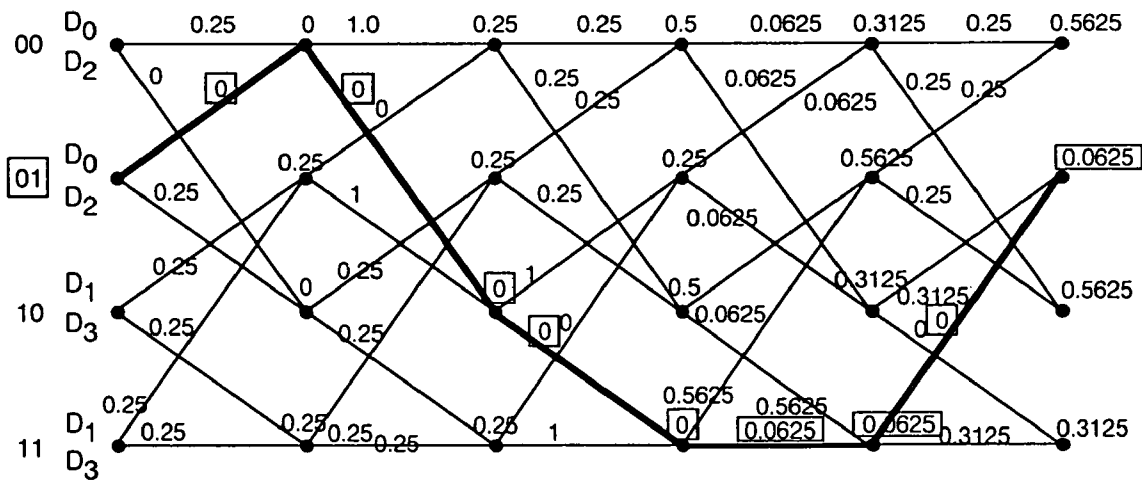


FIG. 5

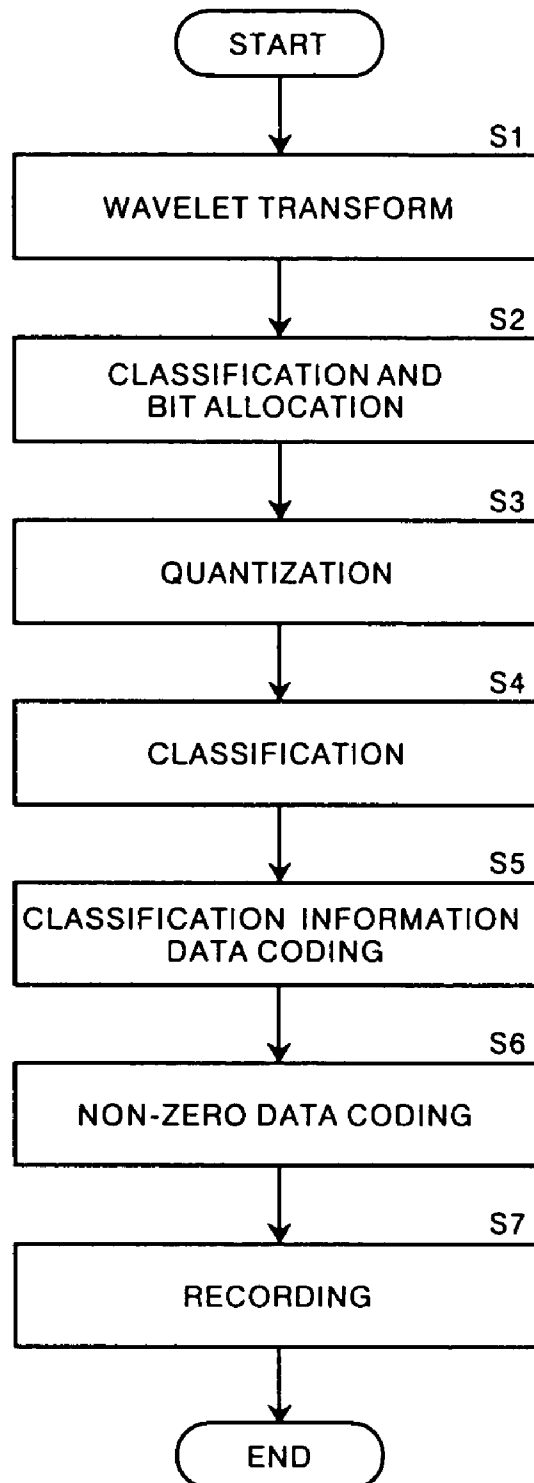


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