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AI-BASED LIGHT PARALLEL VIDEO ENCODER

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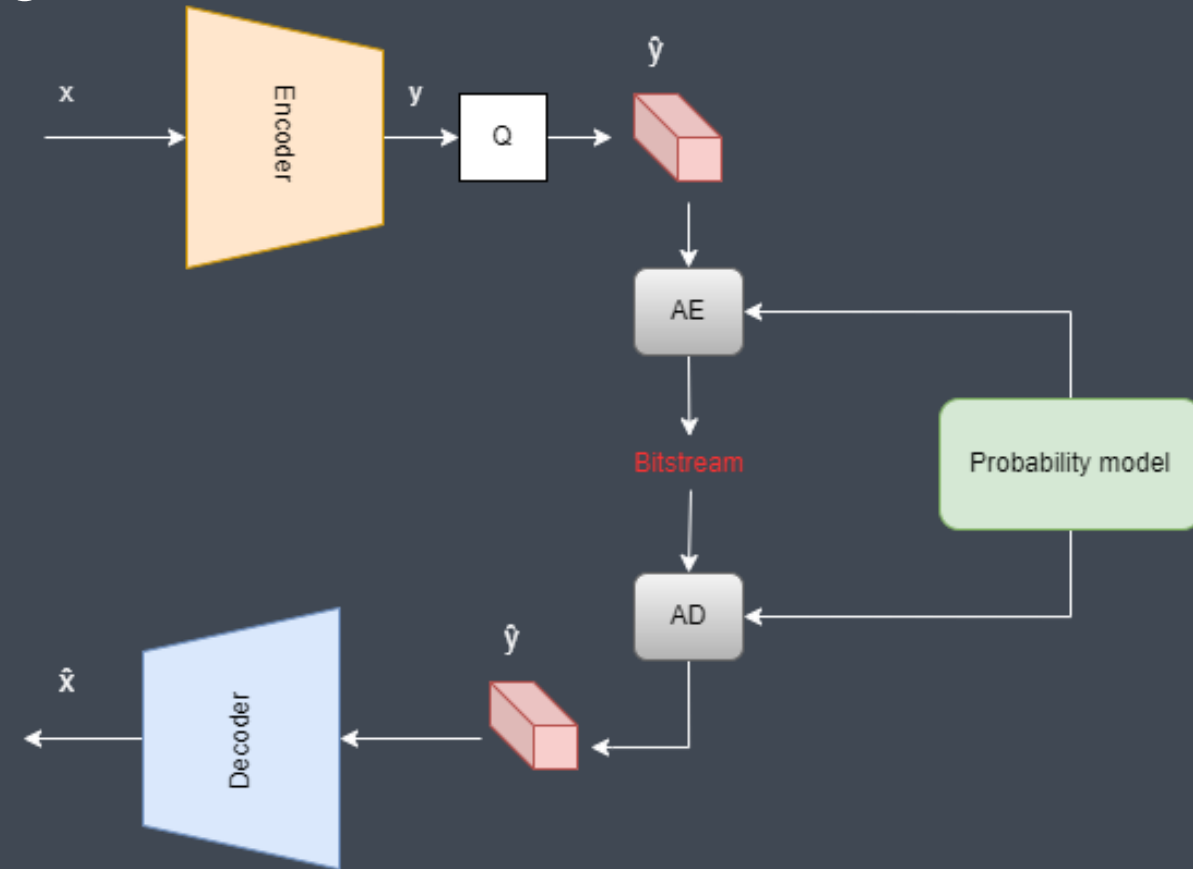




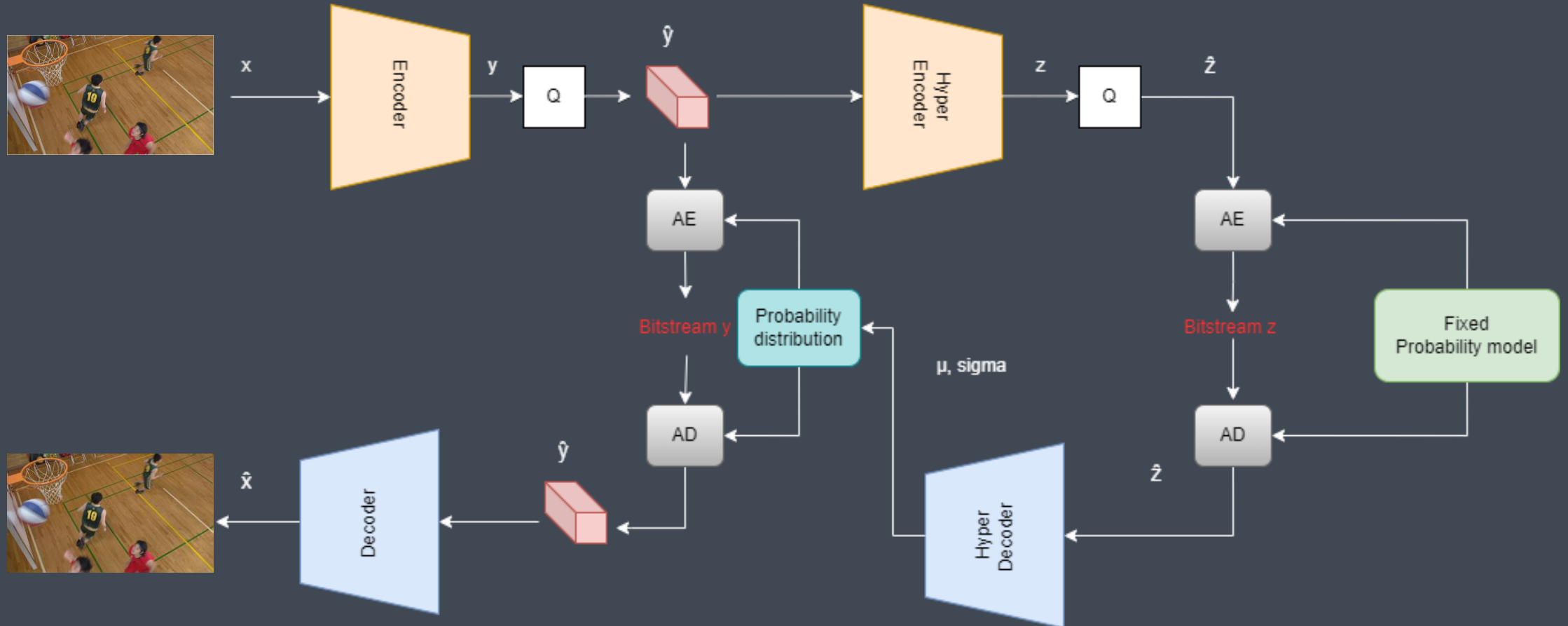
Introduction to learned video coding

END-TO-END LEARNED IMAGE CODECS

- End-to-end learned image codecs are based on auto-encoder architecture
- Encoder transforms the input image x into a latent representation y
- Probability model estimates the probability distribution of the latent representation
- Decoder reconstructs the input image from the latent representation



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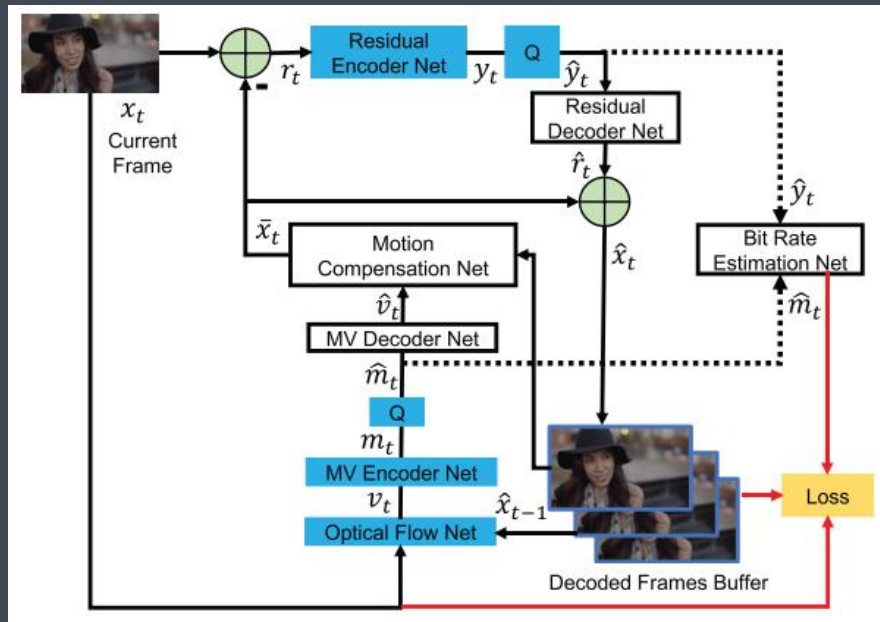
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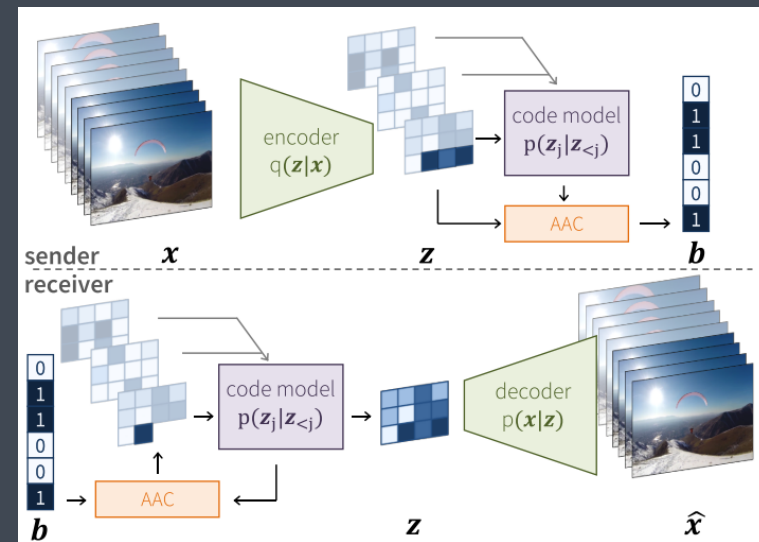
> Approaches of learned video compression :

Hybrid video coding



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3D convolutions



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> Based on the autoencoder architecture

END-TO-END LEARNED CODECS PRACTICAL APPLICATION

> Rate control

- > Some models need to be trained and stored for each bitrate
- > First attempts to have a more generic behavior **needs further study**

> Computing power

- > In short, deep learning is very demanding
- > To be efficient, models tend to be bigger and bigger

> Memory management

- > Huge model + huge frames = memory saturation

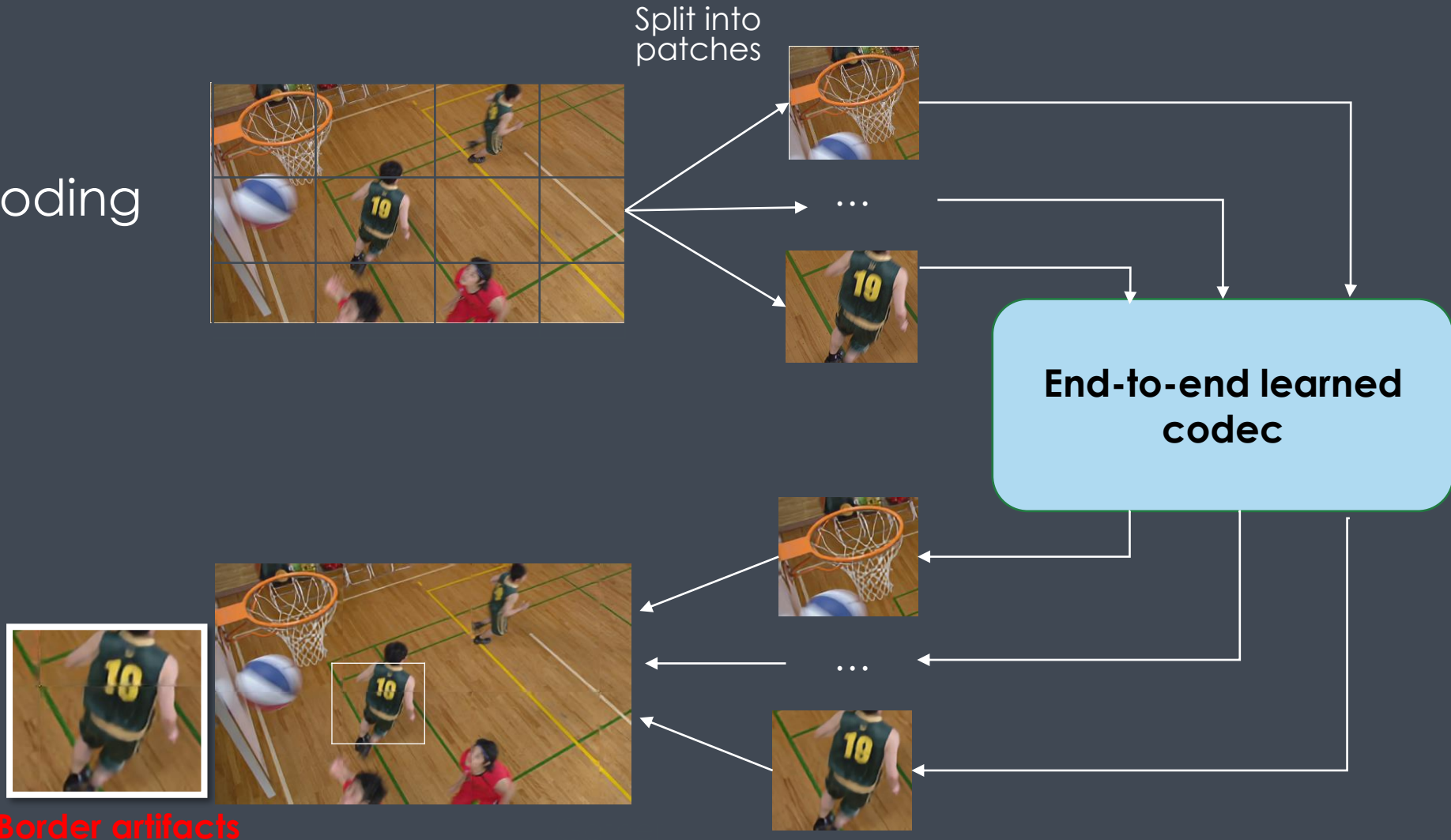
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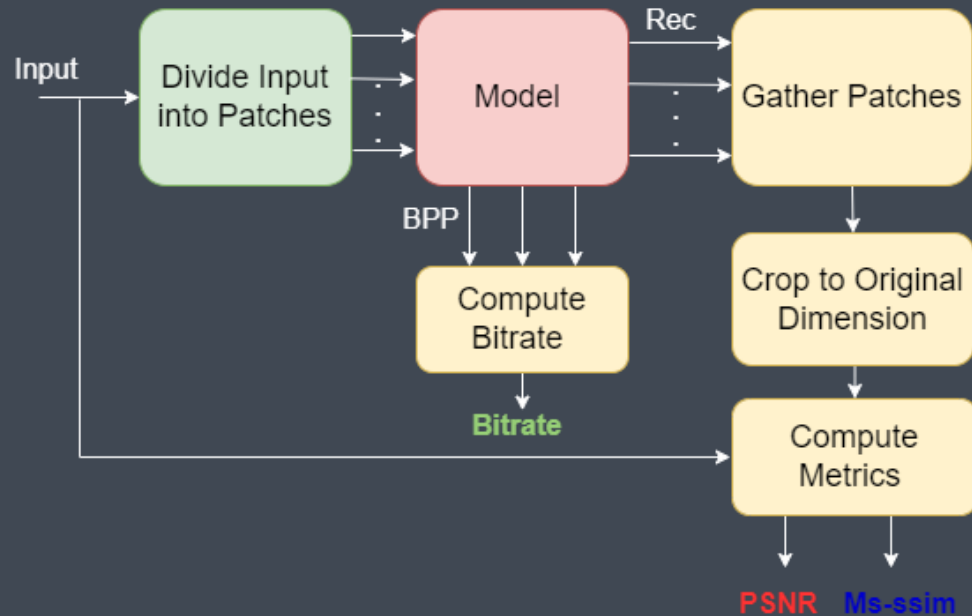
LEARNED PATCH-CODING USING OVERLAPPING

Limitation : Memory saturation while encoding big resolutions

Proposed solution :
Patch-based encoding while removing artifacts with overlapping method



LEARNED PATCH-CODING USING OVERLAPPING



Steps to patch-based intra encoding coding

- > Divide Input into **overlapping** patches horizontally and vertically
- > End-to-end learned coding model used to encode patches **in parallel** (e.g : model based on cheng 2020¹ architecture)
- > Gather patches using linear function to combine the reconstructed overlapping area.

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CODING TIME RESULTS

> Patch size : 256x256

> N : Number of overlapping pixels

Resolution	Method	Coding time GPU 2080ti 11GB	Coding time GPU 3090 24GB	Total Number of patches	Number of patches coded in parallel	N
1920x1080 (HD)	Full resolution coding	OOM	OOM	-	-	-
	Patch-coding, in parallel with overlapping	3.39s	2.03s	40	8	16
1280x720	Full resolution Coding	OOM	0.93s	-	-	-
	Patch-coding, in parallel with overlapping	1.91s	1.01s	15	5	16
832x480	Full resolution coding	1.06s	0.52s	-	-	-
	Patch-coding, in parallel with overlapping	1.10s	0.55s	8	8	16

Coding time Results

RATE-DISTORTION RESULTS

Learned patch-coding using overlapping

Coding additional overlapping
pixels

Potential Loss



Coding smaller patches

Getting closer to training
conditions

Potential Gain



RATE-DISTORTION RESULTS



Visual results for MSE models

BD-rate (PSNR) results of patch-based coding schemes compared to full resolution coding system for CTC sequences.

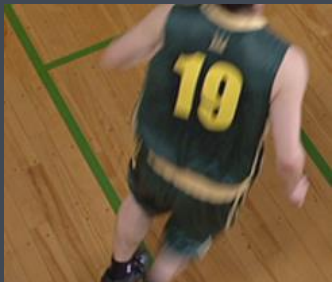
	Patch-coding w/o Overlapping	Patch-coding with Overlapping				
		N = 2	N = 4	N = 8	N = 16	N = 32
JVET CTC	+0.013	-0.025	-0.030	-0.034	-0.041	-0.035

BD-rate (MS-SSIM) results of patch-based coding schemes compared to full resolution coding system for CTC sequences.

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RATE-DISTORTION RESULTS

(a) original



(b) full Image



(c) w/o overlap



(d) N = 2



(e) N = 4



(f) N = 8




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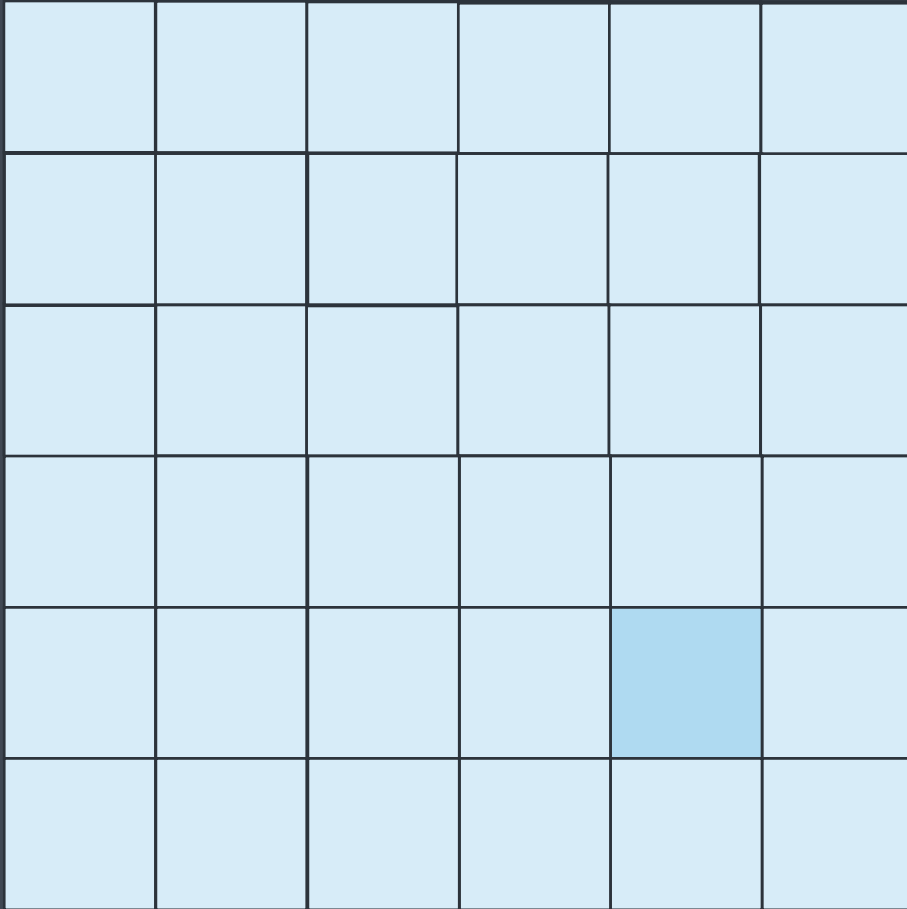


Adjustment of MS-SSIM implementation

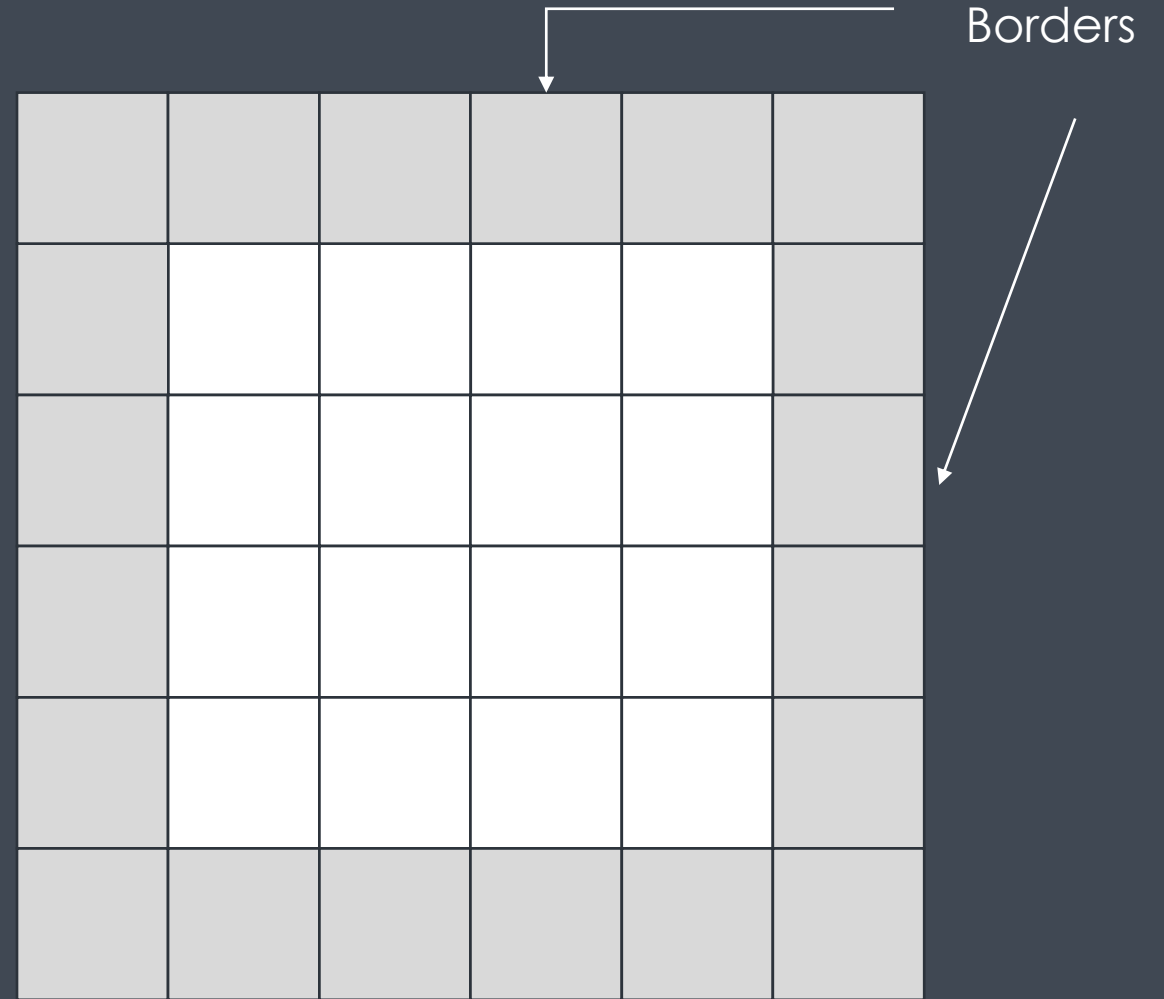
ADJUSTMENT OF MS-SSIM IMPLEMENTATION

- > MS-SSIM is an objective quality metric designed to measure the similarity between two images/videos.
- > This metric is commonly used in the compression video field, to assess the quality between the original input video sequence and the decoded one.
- > The MS-SSIM function consists in computing the SSIM metric on multiple scales using a sliding Gaussian window

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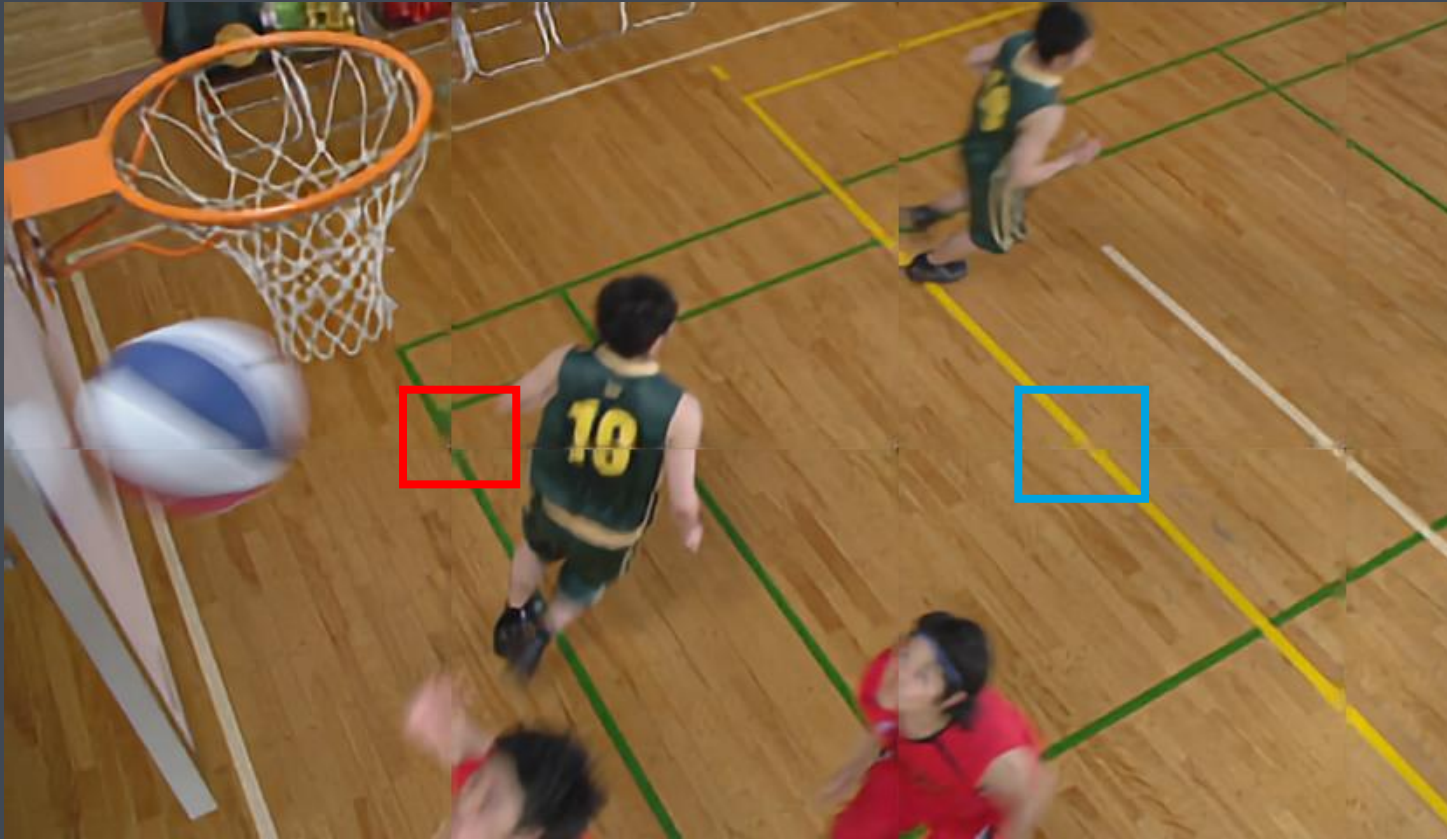


Classic Implementation of MS-SSIM



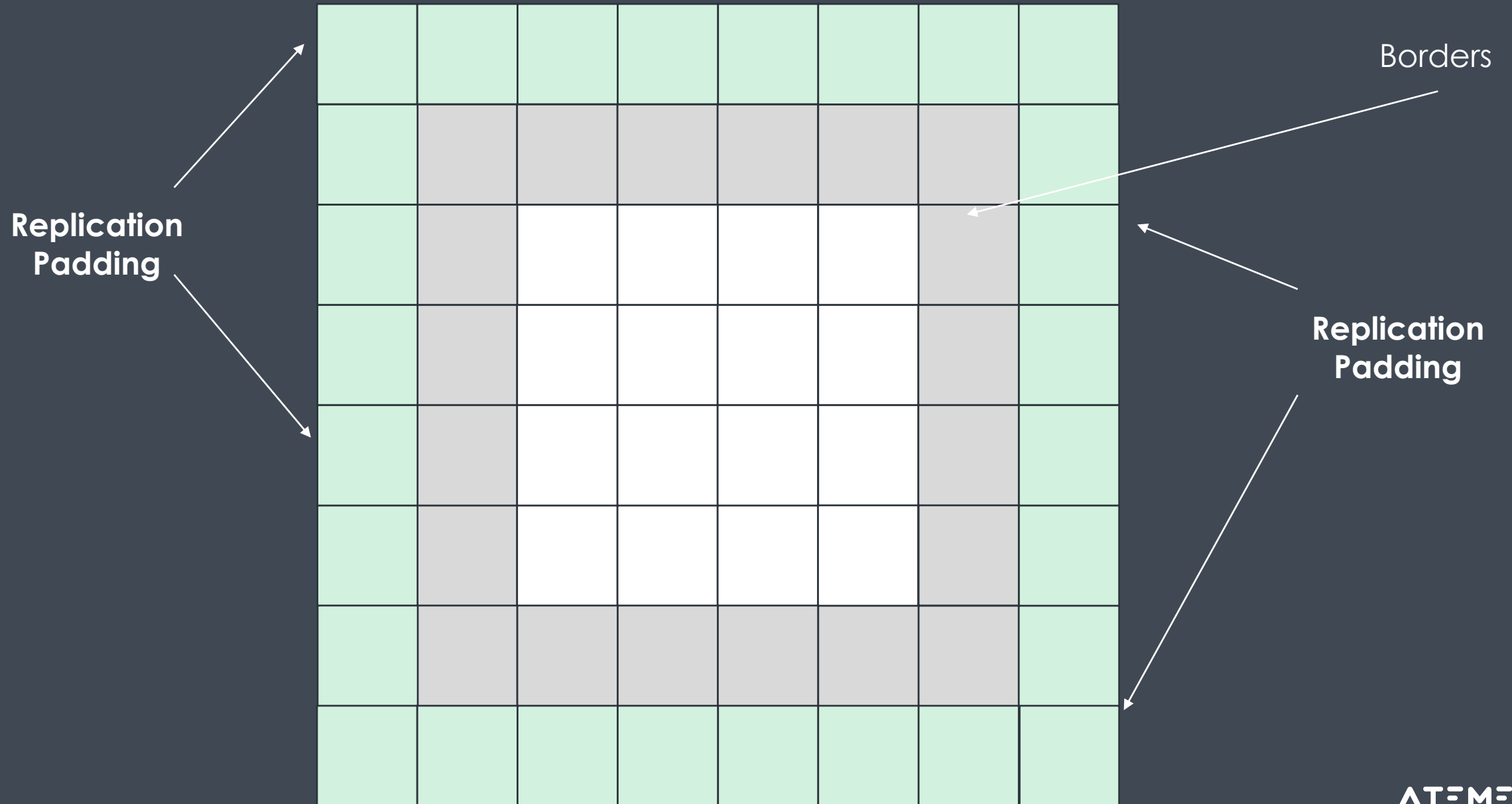
Borders not considered in the classic Implementation of MS-SSIM

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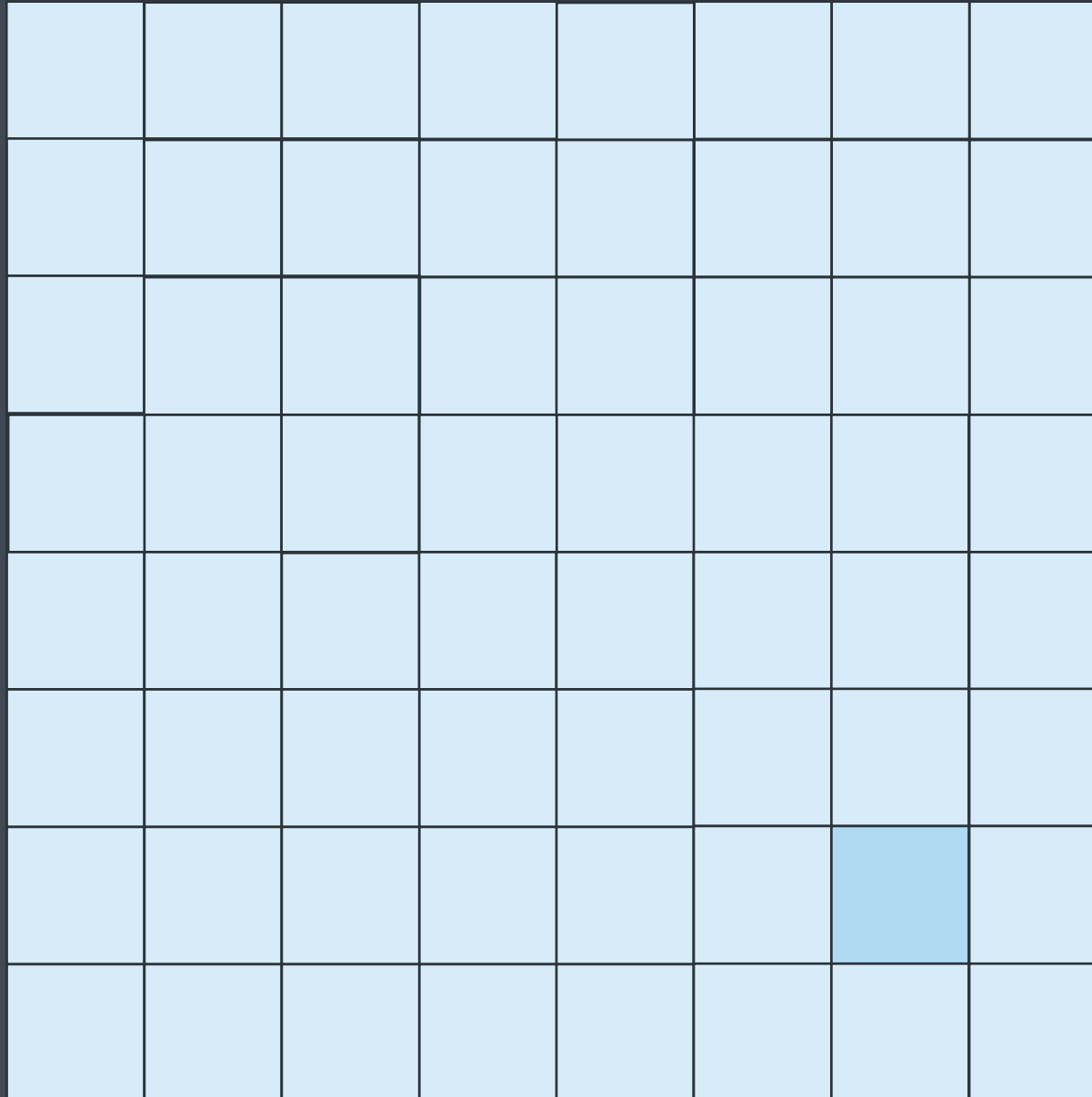


Border artifacts resulting from patch-coding using the classic implementation of MS-SSIM

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Border artifacts resulting from patch-coding using the classic implementation of MS-SSIM



Border artifacts resulting from patch-coding using the adjusted implementation of MS-SSIM



BD-rate results of patch-coding w/o overlapping compared to full frame coding system for CTC sequences, using both implementations of MS-SSIM.

Sequence	Class Classic MS-SSIM	Adjusted MS-SSIM
Class B	0.649	0.017
Class C	0.537	0.017
Class D	0.232	0.004
Class E	0.958	0.042
Class F	0.686	0.042

RESULTS OF THE LEARNED PATCH-CODING METHOD WITH THE ADJUSTED MS-SSIM

BD-rate (Classic MS-SSIM) gains of patch-based coding schemes compared to full resolution coding system for CTC sequences.



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JVET CTC	+0.024	-0.004	-0.007	-0.016	-0.020	-0.014

Visual results for MS-SSIM models

Parallel Neural video coding (PaNVC) Framework

PANVC FRAMEWORK

> Goal :

- > Build an end-to-end learned video coding framework, adapted to real-life applications.
- > This framework is designed to be compatible with several learned video coding models

> Contributions

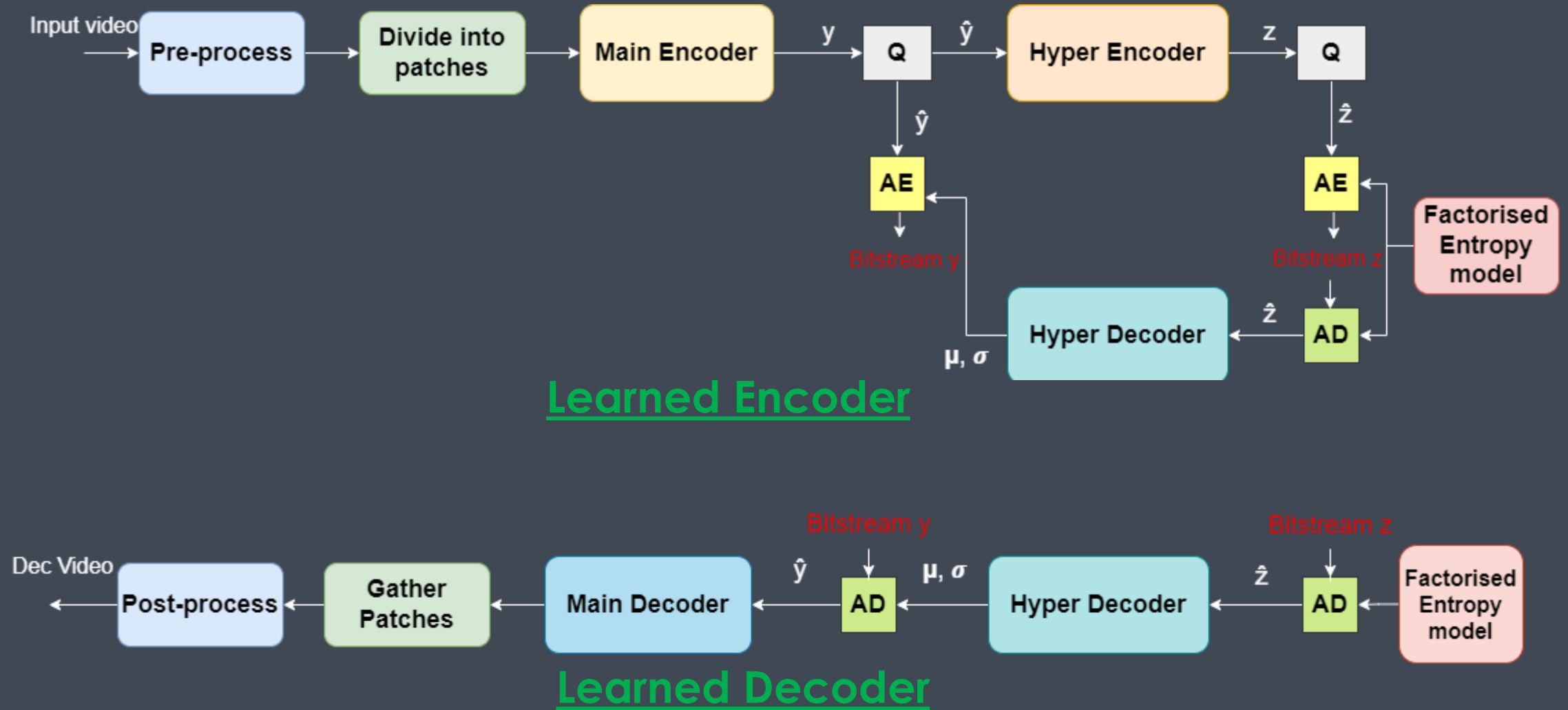
- > Integrate the learned patch-coding method to manage the memory efficiently
- > Exploit parallelization
- > Train independent Encoder and Decoder
- > Generate an actual bitstream
- > Compute quality metrics (MS-SSIM and PSNR) as well as the rate of the video (theoretical bitrate and the real bitrate)

> Implementation

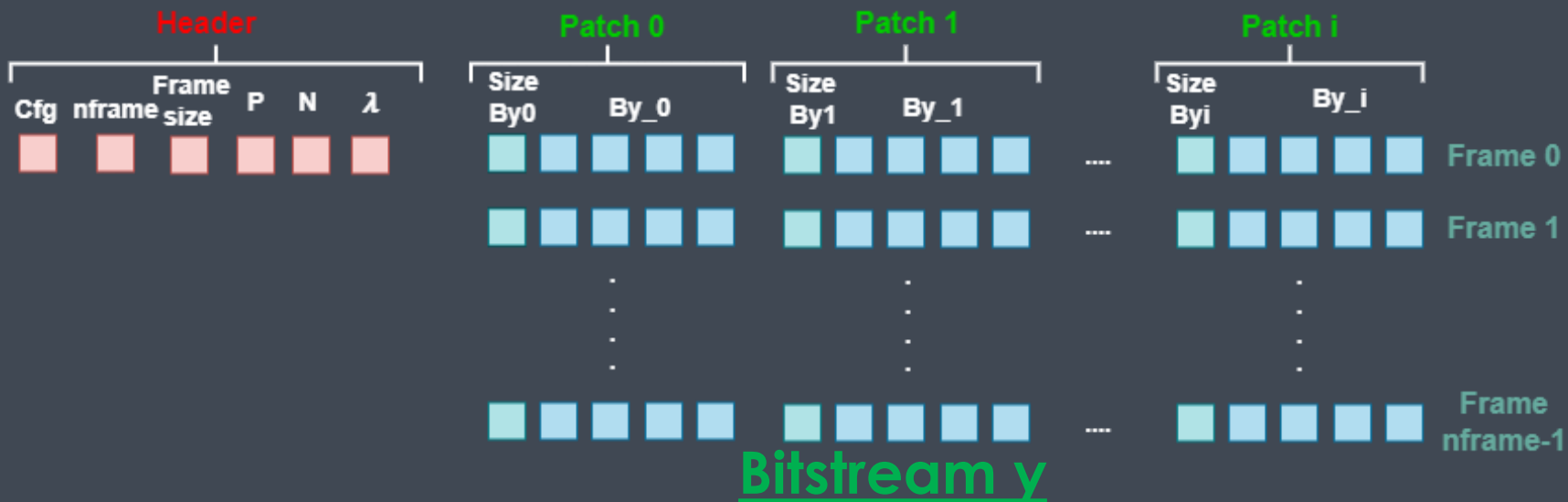
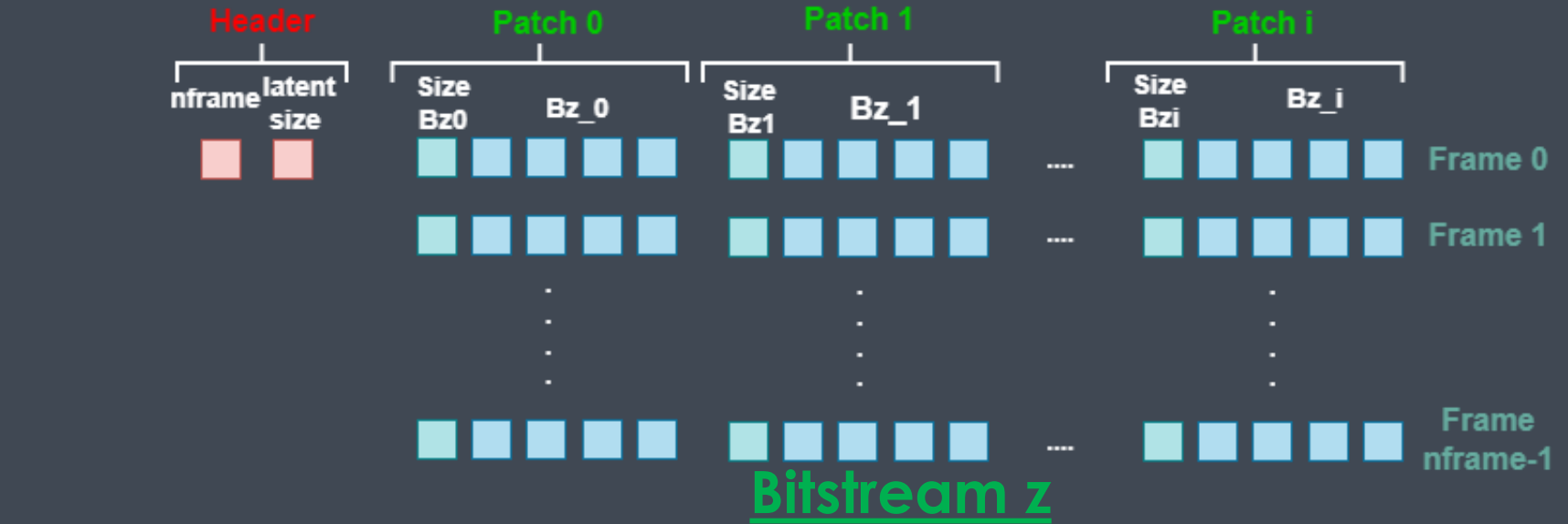
- > Language : Python , Framework : Pytorch



INDEPENDENT ENCODER AND DECODER



BITSTREAM ARCHITECTURE





Wrap-up

CONCLUSION

- > PaNVC is an end-to-end learned video coding framework adapted to practical application.
- > PaNVC is designed to be compatible with several neural video coding models
- > PaNVC includes the learned patch-coding method using overlapping, as a solution to memory saturation problem.
- > The implementation of MS-SSIM function is adjusted to the patch-coding use-case.

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